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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

2 READ-IN BY EXECUTIVE OFFICER ON PAGE 118]

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. I'D ASK FOR
7 EVERYONE TO PLEASE RISE. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN THE MEETING. THE
8 INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY THE REVEREND DR. DELORIS GLASS,
9 FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES FROM THE SECOND
10 DISTRICT. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY A GOOD FRIEND DR. LOUIS
11 MORET, FORMER PRIVATE FIRST CLASS, UNITED STATES ARMY, FROM
12 THE FIRST DISTRICT. REVERENT GLASS.

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14 **DR. DELORIS GLASS:** SHALL WE BOW. ETERNAL GOD, OUR FATHER, WE
15 COME BEFORE YOUR PRESENCE THIS DAY SEEKING YOUR DIVINE
16 BLESSING UPON THIS MEETING OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BOARD
17 OF SUPERVISORS. WE COME RECOGNIZING THAT THE POWERS THAT BE
18 ARE ORDAINED OF THEE AND THEREFORE WE ASK YOU TO BLESS THESE
19 CIVIC LEADERS WHO HAVE COMMITTED THEMSELVES, THEIR LIVES,
20 THEIR TALENT TO ADDRESS THE DIVERSE NEEDS OF THE RESIDENTS OF
21 THIS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES OF WHICH THEY SERVE. WE COME ASKING
22 YOU TO STRENGTHEN THEIR HEARTS THAT THEY MAY BE ABLE TO MEET
23 THE CHALLENGES THAT LIE AHEAD WITH CONFIDENCE AND WITH
24 COURAGE. AND DESPITE THE CRITICS AND THE WOULD-BE VISION
25 CRUSHERS, WE ASK THAT YOU WOULD ALLOW THEM TO REMAIN STEADFAST

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1 AND FAITHFUL TO THE CAUSE. SO LET THEM RUN AND NOT BE WEARY
2 AND WALK AND NOT FAINT AS THEY STRIVE TO BE FISCALLY FEASIBLE,
3 CONSTITUENT-RESPONSIVE AND MUNICIPALITY-BENEFICIAL. AND LET
4 EVERYTHING THAT THEY PUT THEIR HANDS TO PROSPER AND THRIVE.
5 LET THEIR FAMILIES AND LOVED ONES BE FOUND RESTING IN YOUR
6 FAVOR AND DIVINE LOVE. LET US AS FELLOW CITIZENS OF THIS GREAT
7 COUNTY STAND WITH THEM IN THE SPIRIT OF UNITY KNOWING THAT
8 TOGETHER WE STAND BUT DIVIDED WE FALL. AND NOW ETERNAL GOD, AS
9 LONG AS YOU ALLOW THE SUN TO CONTINUE TO SHINE AND THE RAIN TO
10 CONTINUE TO FALL AND FLOWERS TO CONTINUE TO GROW, WE ASK THAT
11 YOU WOULD SET YOUR APPROVAL UPON ALL THAT THEY DO TO GUIDE
12 THIS COUNTY IN ITS PURSUIT TO ENSURE HOUSING, FOOD,
13 EMPLOYMENT, PROTECTION, SAFETY, HEALTHCARE, TRANSPORTATION,
14 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES, EDUCATION AND SUSTAINING GREEN SPACE
15 FOR ALL RESIDENTS. AND SO, UNTO YOU, WHO IS ABLE TO KEEP US
16 FROM FALLING AND TO PRESENT US FAULTLESS BEFORE YOUR PRESENCE
17 WITH EXCEEDING JOY, TO YOU THE ONLY WISE GOD, OUR SAVIOR, BE
18 GLORY AND MAJESTY, DOMINION AND POWER, NOW AND FOREVER AND IT
19 IS IN THE PRESENCE OF YOUR HOLINESS THAT WE MAY BLESS THIS
20 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THAT YOU MAY BLESS THESE UNITED
21 STATES OF AMERICA, AMEN AND AMEN. [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **DR. LOUIS F. MORET:** AMEN, INDEED. WILL YOU PLEASE FACE THE
24 FLAG, PUT YOUR HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND REPEAT ALONG WITH ME.
25 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.] THANK YOU.

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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
3 COLLEAGUES. THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT THAT THE REVEREND
4 DELORIS GLASS IS IN THE HOUSE TODAY. [APPLAUSE] AND SHE'S
5 HERE. SHE'S BEEN THE SENIOR PASTOR OF THE FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST
6 CHURCH OF WILLOWBROOK FOR THE PAST 16 YEARS. SHE'S BEEN
7 ORDAINED AND LICENSED AS A MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL SINCE 1989.
8 SHE HAS SERVED AS AN OFFICER AND MEMBER OF VARIOUS CIVIC
9 MUNICIPALITY ADVISORY GROUPS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE
10 LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, LOS ANGELES UNIFIED
11 SCHOOL DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL, WILLOWBROOK NEIGHBORHOOD
12 COUNCIL, WILLOWBROOK COMMUNITY UNITED FOR JUSTICE, THE
13 N.A.A.C.P. AND MANY OTHERS. SHE HAS PROVIDED SOCIAL SERVICES
14 FOR YOUTH AND FAMILIES WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR
15 MORE THAN 38 YEARS AS DIRECTOR OF THE POSITIVE ALTERNATIVE
16 PROGRAM. SHE IS CURRENTLY INVOLVED WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
17 KEEPING IT REAL PROGRAM FOR YOUTH RESIDING IN THE COMMUNITIES
18 OF WATTS AND WILLOWBROOK. HER VISION IS TO OPERATE A YOUTH,
19 ACADEMIC, SOCIAL, DEVELOPMENT AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT COMMUNITY
20 CENTER. SHE HAS A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY
21 FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, A MASTER OF ARTS
22 DEGREE IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SAN
23 FRANCISCO, A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN THEOLOGY FROM REED COLLEGE,
24 AND A MASTER'S AND DOCTORATE DEGREE IN THEOLOGY AT THE WESTERN
25 THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY WHERE SHE IS CURRENTLY THE ACADEMIC DEAN.

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1 AND WE THANK YOU, DR. GLASS, FOR LEADING US IN THIS MORNING'S
2 INVOCATION. [APPLAUSE] IT'S ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS THAT WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT THIS
4 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO YOU, AND WE WISH YOU WELL IN
5 YOUR MINISTRY AND AS YOU SEEK TO SERVE THE PRESENT AGE, WE
6 ACKNOWLEDGE THE CONTRIBUTIONS THAT YOU HAVE MADE, THAT YOU ARE
7 MAKING, AND THOSE THAT YOU WILL MAKE NO DOUBT IN THE FUTURE
8 YEARS TO COME. BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR THE REVEREND DR.
9 DELORIS GLASS. [APPLAUSE]

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11 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. IT IS AN HONOR THIS
12 MORNING TO PRESENT A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO DR. LOU
13 MORET WHO LED US TODAY IN OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. HE IS VERY
14 PROUDLY THE FATHER OF MY STAFF PERSON, MEGAN MORET. LOU'S
15 FAMILY HISTORY IS REALLY VERY FASCINATING. DURING WORLD TWO,
16 HIS FATHER IMMIGRATED FROM MEXICO TO JOIN THE AMERICAN ALLIED
17 FORCES WHERE HE ROSE TO THE RANK OF LIEUTENANT AND AFTER HIS
18 MILITARY SERVICE, HE BECAME A UNITED STATES CITIZEN. LOU
19 FOLLOWED IN HIS FATHER'S FOOTPRINTS BY ENLISTING IN THE UNITED
20 STATES ARMY AT THE AGE OF 17, IMMEDIATELY AFTER GRADUATING
21 PROUDLY FROM GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL. IT WAS LOU'S DESIRE TO
22 SERVE IN COMBAT IN VIETNAM BUT INSTEAD HE WAS SENT TO GLORIOUS
23 ITALY WHERE HE PROUDLY SERVED AS ARMY SIGNAL CORPS FROM 1963
24 TO 1965. AFTER HIS MILITARY SERVICE, LOU ATTENDED EAST L.A.
25 COLLEGE, THEN EARNED DEGREES FROM WHITTIER COLLEGE, THE

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1 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND LAVERNE UNIVERSITY. HE
2 IS OF COURSE A VERY DEVOTED HUSBAND TO A GOOD FRIEND OF ALL OF
3 OURS AND THAT'S KATHY MORET, AND WE'RE VERY PROUD OF YOUR
4 SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY, LOU, AND THANK YOU FOR LEADING US
5 TODAY IN OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK
6 YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT THANK YOU BOTH. ALL RIGHT.
9 LET'S PROCEED WITH THE AGENDA, PLEASE.

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11 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN,
12 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE'LL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3,
13 PRESENTATIONS AND SET MATTERS. ON ITEM S-1, AS INDICATED ON
14 THE POSTED AGENDA AT THE MEETING OF MAY 20TH, THIS ITEM WAS
15 CONTINUED TO JULY 15TH, 2014.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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19 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM S-2 AS INDICATED ON THE
20 POSTED AGENDA AT THE MEETING OF MAY 20TH, THIS ITEM WAS
21 CONTINUED TO AUGUST 12, 2014.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM S-3, AS INDICATED ON THE
2 POSTED AGENDA AT THE MEETING OF MARCH 18TH, THIS ITEM WAS
3 CONTINUED TO JULY 1, 2014.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO BE THE ORDER.

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7 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING
8 OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D THROUGH 5-
9 D, ON ITEM NO. 1-D, THERE'S A REQUEST FOR A MEMBER OF THE
10 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ALSO ON ITEMS 3-D AND 4-D, THERE'S
11 REQUESTS TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. THE REMAINING TWO ITEMS ARE
12 BEFORE YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, SUPERVISOR MOLINA,
15 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
16 ORDERED.

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18 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 7, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING
19 OF THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. ON ITEM NO. 1-P,
20 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
21 ITEM. ON PAGE 8, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 11, ON
22 ITEM NO. 5 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
23 HOLD THIS ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF
24 SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
2 YAROSLAVSKY. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE
3 THE ORDER.

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5 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 11, CONSENT CALENDAR,
6 ITEMS 12 THROUGH 64. ON ITEM 12, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
7 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HOLD THIS ITEM. ITEM 14 THERE'S ALSO A
8 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM
9 NO. 16, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
10 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 17--

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH ITEM WAS THAT?

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 16.

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16 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** 16.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

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20 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. 17, THERE'S A REQUEST
21 FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ALSO ON ITEM NO.
22 19, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
23 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 20, ALTHOUGH THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA
24 INDICATES THAT THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
25 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JULY 15, 2014, THE

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1 DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS
2 ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS DEPARTMENT. ON ITEM NO. 25,
3 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC--

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 20 WILL BE REFERRED BACK TO THE
6 DEPARTMENT.

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8 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 25, THERE'S
9 REQUESTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM
10 NO. 26, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR
11 OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE
12 WEEK. ON ITEM NO. 27, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
13 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 30, AS INDICATED ON THE
14 POSTED AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH REQUESTS THAT
15 THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS DEPARTMENT.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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19 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. 31, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
20 THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK. ON ITEM
21 NO. 33, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
22 THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 34, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH
23 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS DEPARTMENT.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT NUMBER?

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2 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** 34. ON ITEM NO. 35, THERE'S A
3 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ALSO ON
4 ITEM NO. 37 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
5 HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 38, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER
6 OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS NO. 39
7 AND 40, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
8 THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM NO. 45, THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A
9 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 46,
10 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
11 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 56, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA,
12 THE SHERIFF REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK. ON
13 ITEM NO. 61, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, COUNTY
14 COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JULY 15, 2014.
15 ON ITEM NO. 62, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
16 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
17 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
20 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THERE BEING NO
21 OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 39, ORDINANCE FOR
24 INTRODUCTION, ITEM NO. 65 AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR
25 THE RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING

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1 COUNTY CODE TITLE 5 PERSONNEL TO AMEND PORTIONS OF SECTION 5
2 TO CLARIFY A SECTION AND ADD A NEW SECTION AUTHORIZING A NEW
3 RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
4 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION MEMBERS AND THEIR ELIGIBLE
5 DEPENDENTS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014 AND LATER. ON THIS ITEM
6 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT IT WILL BE HELD.

9

10 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE NEXT ITEM IS SEPARATE MATTERS,
11 ITEM NO. 66, AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD.
12 THIS IS THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO
13 ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A CONTRACTUAL
14 ASSESSMENT LIMITED OBLIGATION IMPROVEMENT BOND SERIES 2014 C-1
15 UNDER THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY ENERGY PROGRAM ON BEHALF OF PARK
16 PLACE COMMERCIAL L.P., IN MAXIMUM PAR AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED
17 \$7,010,000 TO FUND THE INSTALLATION OF ENERGY AND WATER
18 EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS TO COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES LOCATED IN
19 PASADENA. THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE
22 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

23

24 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 40, MISCELLANEOUS
25 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS

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1 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
2 AGENDA. ITEM NO. 67-A IS BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE
5 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

6

7 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM 67-B, THERE'S A REQUEST
8 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM, AND ON ITEM 67-
9 C AND 67-D, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THESE
10 ITEMS BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JULY 1, 2014.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF
15 THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
16 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 2.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. BEFORE WE DO THAT, WE HAVE--
19 I'D LIKE TO ASK THE HONORABLE ULRIKE RITZINGER, CONSUL GENERAL
20 OF AUSTRIA, TO JOIN US AND TO WELCOME HER. THE CONSUL GENERAL
21 FIRST ENTERED THE AUSTRIAN DIPLOMATIC SERVICE IN 1999, ROSE TO
22 BE DESK OFFICER OF THE PRESS AND INFORMATION DEPARTMENT. AFTER
23 THAT SHE WENT ON TO TAKE UP DUTIES AT THE VARIOUS AUSTRIAN
24 EMBASSIES IN BEIJING AND IN ROME. IN BETWEEN THOSE POSTINGS
25 SHE RETURNED TO VIENNA TO MANAGE THE RELAUNCH OF THE FOREIGN

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1 MINISTRY WEBSITE AND THEN TO BECOME DEPUTY HEAD OF THE PRESS
2 AND INFORMATION DEPARTMENT. SHE HAS ARRIVED IN LOS ANGELES
3 COUNTY FROM HER LATEST POSTING IN VIENNA WHERE SHE WAS
4 DIPLOMATIC ADVISER TO THE AUSTRIAN PRESIDENT. SHE LISTS HER
5 INTERESTS AS RUNNING, TRIATHLON, SKIING, TENNIS, BALLROOM
6 DANCING, SALSA, ARCHITECTURE AND THEATER. ANYTHING ELSE? OH,
7 OKAY. WHEW. IN HER SCHOOL DAYS SHE ALSO WON A PRIZE AT THE
8 NATIONAL YOUTH PIANO COMPETITION IN AUSTRIA. SHE HAS ALSO
9 PERFORMED IN NUMEROUS CONCERTS NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY.
10 SO SHE'S CLEARLY AN ARTIST BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, A DIPLOMAT.
11 SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND OUR 10 MILLION
12 RESIDENTS, WE'D LIKE TO EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW
13 CONSUL GENERAL FROM AUSTRIA. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **HON. ULRIKE RITZINGER:** GUTEN MORGEN. THIS IS GERMAN FOR SAYING
16 GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF
17 SUPERVISORS VERY MUCH FOR INVITING ME. THANKS TO DON KNABE,
18 THE CHAIRMAN. THANKS TO LOURDES SAAB FOR ORGANIZING
19 EVERYTHING. I'M VERY HAPPY TO BE HERE. THIS IS A GREAT
20 OPPORTUNITY FOR ME. I HAVE BEEN LIVING IN LOS ANGELES FOR SIX
21 MONTHS, A LITTLE BIT OVER SIX MONTHS. AND AS YOU CAN IMAGINE,
22 I DON'T LIKE IT AT ALL. [LAUGHTER.] AS ALL OF MY EUROPEAN
23 COLLEAGUES-- NO, ACTUALLY, I'M JOKING. IT'S VERY EASY TO GET
24 USED TO LOS ANGELES. LOS ANGELES HAS A VERY VIVID
25 INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY THAT IS OVER THE AVERAGE INTERESTED IN

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1 THE REST OF THE WORLD. AND I DAILY MEET VERY, VERY INTERESTING
2 PEOPLE HERE. YOU HAVE HEARD THAT AT THE AGE OF 18, I THOUGHT I
3 WOULD BECOME A DIPLOMAT-- A PIANIST. AT THE AGE OF 22, I
4 THOUGHT I WOULD BECOME A HOTEL MANAGER. AT THE AGE OF 28, I
5 THOUGHT I WOULD WORK FOR AN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION, AND
6 THEN WHEN I WAS 32, I TURNED OUT TO BE A DIPLOMAT. SO FOR THE
7 YOUNG PEOPLE HERE IN THE ROOM, YOU NEVER KNOW. JUST FOLLOW
8 YOUR DREAMS. I ENTERED THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ABOUT 14 YEARS
9 AGO, AND I WAS POSTED TO BEIJING AND TO ROME AND I WORKED FOR
10 THE AUSTRIAN PRESIDENT FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS AS HIS DEPUTY
11 FOREIGN POLICY ADVISER BEFORE I CAME HERE. NOW I AM THE CONSUL
12 GENERAL OF AUSTRIA IN LOS ANGELES. AUSTRIA IS A VERY SMALL
13 COUNTRY. I KNOW THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HAS ROUGHLY 10
14 MILLION INHABITANTS; AUSTRIA HAS ONLY 8 MILLION. BUT AUSTRIA
15 VERY MUCH PROFITED FROM ITS BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE EUROPEAN
16 UNION IN 1995 AND EVEN MORE SO WHEN ALL THE SURROUNDING
17 COUNTRIES IN CENTRAL EUROPE BECAME MEMBERS OF THE EUROPEAN
18 UNION. SO BY NOW, AUSTRIA IS ONE OF THE 10 RICHEST COUNTRIES
19 IN THE WORLD. AND THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE OF AUSTRIA HAS BEEN
20 THE LOWEST IN THE EUROPEAN UNION FOR THE LAST YEARS. WE HAVE A
21 VERY VIVID LIFE IN ARTISTIC MATTERS, IN FILM BUSINESS. AND
22 IT'S A SMALL BUT IT'S A HIGH- TECH COUNTRY. SO I WOULD LIKE TO
23 TELL YOU JUST A LITTLE BIT ABOUT MY JOB AS A DIPLOMAT, AS A
24 CONSUL GENERAL HERE IN LOS ANGELES BEFORE I FINISH. I NEVER--
25 WHO WOULD THINK, AND I DIDN'T KNOW THAT A DIPLOMAT HAS TO BE A

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1 CONSTRUCTION MANAGER. ACTUALLY, PART OF MY JOB IS TO MAINTAIN
2 THE VALUE OF THE PREMISES THAT THE STATE OF AUSTRIA OWNS IN
3 LOS ANGELES. AUSTRIA BOUGHT THE AUSTRIAN RESIDENCE IN 1971.
4 AND SINCE THEN, IT'S HOLDING IT. SO THAT'S PART OF MY JOB. THE
5 OTHER PART IS I'M SOME SORT OF A GENERAL MANAGER FOR A SMALL
6 ENTERPRISE, BECAUSE THE CONSULATE HAS LIKE SIX PEOPLE THAT ARE
7 WORKING THERE, AND I HAVE TO KEEP MY TEAM TOGETHER. I HAVE TO
8 ESTABLISH A STRATEGIC PLAN THAT I WOULD LIKE. I HAVE TO
9 ESTABLISH GOALS. I HAVE TO MOTIVATE MY TEAM. SO THAT'S THE
10 GENERAL MANAGER PART. AND THEN THERE'S THE DIPLOMATIC PART.
11 AND THE DIPLOMATIC PART IS VARIOUS. THERE'S ON ONE SIDE THE
12 CONSULAR WORK, OF COURSE, ALL THE AUSTRIANS THAT NEED NEW
13 PASSPORTS, PEOPLE LIVING IN THE UNITED STATES THAT ARE NOT
14 U.S. CITIZENS THAT WANT TO GO TO AUSTRIA THAT NEED VISA, ET
15 CETERA. AND THEN THERE'S THE CULTURAL AND ARTISTIC PART. I'M
16 TRYING TO BE A PLATFORM FOR NETWORKING. AND I WANT TO BRING
17 THE AUSTRIAN FILM MAKERS TOGETHER WITH THE AMERICAN ONES, THE
18 AUSTRIAN MUSICIANS, BRING THEM HERE AND BRING AMERICAN
19 MUSICIANS TO AUSTRIA AND SO ON. BUT THERE IS ALSO THE JEWISH
20 HERITAGE THAT AUSTRIA SHARES WITH THE UNITED STATES. AND THERE
21 ARE MANY AUSTRIANS THAT HAD TO FLEE IN '38, IN 1938 WHO ARE
22 LIVING IN LOS ANGELES. THEY ARE VERY OLD NOW. THEY'RE LIKE
23 OVER 90, MOST OF THEM, BUT THEY HAVE THEIR CHILDREN AND THEIR
24 GRANDCHILDREN AND I'M TRYING TO KEEP IN CONTACT WITH THEM AND
25 I'M ALSO TRYING TO KEEP IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH THE JEWISH

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1 ORGANIZATIONS BASED IN AUSTRIA-- BASED IN LOS ANGELES. AND OF
2 COURSE THERE IS ECONOMY AND TRADE. BUT I AM IN THE HAPPY
3 POSITION TO HAVE A TRADE COMMISSIONER DEALING WITH THAT IN
4 DETAIL. SO THANK YOU AGAIN FOR HAVING ME HERE. AND HAVE A NICE
5 DAY, EVERYBODY. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
8 COLLEAGUES, GIVE A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE TO GIRL SCOUT TROOP
9 19785. THEY'RE IN THE HOUSE TODAY. [APPLAUSE.] THEY ARE
10 SPECIAL. THEY HAVE WITH THEM-- THERE'S SOME 22 OF THEM. COME
11 ON. ISN'T THAT WONDERFUL? THAT'S SPECIAL. [APPLAUSE.] 22 GIRL
12 SCOUTS, 7 TEACHERS AND 1 L.A.P.D. OFFICER. HOW ABOUT THAT? ALL
13 IN THE HOUSE. [APPLAUSE.] AND WE ARE PROUD TO WELCOME THEM
14 TODAY FROM GRAPE STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. IS GRAPE STREET IN
15 THE HOUSE? [APPLAUSE] THEY'RE PART OF A LARGER TROOP
16 REPRESENTING DAISIES, BROWNIES AND JUNIORS. AND THE TROOP IS A
17 COLLABORATION AMONG GIRL SCOUTS OF GREATER LOS ANGELES,
18 L.A.P.D. 'S COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP AND THE HOUSING
19 AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. NOW THE TROOP WAS
20 INITIATED BY THE PRINCIPAL, JERA TURNER. GIVE THE PRINCIPAL A
21 BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE., WHO HAS BEEN THE MOVING FORCE. SHE'S
22 BEEN THE MOVING FORCE AT GRAPE STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR
23 SOME NINE YEARS. HER EXPERIENCE AS A GIRL SCOUT HERSELF LED
24 HER TO STRIVE FOR THE SAME EMPOWERMENT FOR THE GIRLS AT GRAPE
25 STREET. THERE IS A BOOK THAT I RECALL ENTITLED "GOOD NEWS AT

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1 GRAPE STREET" AND THIS IS YET ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF IT. AND SHE'S
2 JOINED FORCES WITH OFFICER JESSE REESE WHO WAS ASSIGNED TO THE
3 COMMUNITY POLICE UNIT AT THE IMPERIAL COURTS HOUSING PROJECT
4 WHERE MOST OF THESE GIRL SCOUTS LIVE. AND SO TOGETHER, AFTER
5 OFFICER REESE AND PRINCIPAL TURNER COLLABORATED WITH THE
6 HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO SPONSOR A GIRL
7 SCOUT TROOP AT THE GRAPE STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. AND HERE'S
8 THE EVIDENCE OF IT. SOME 150 GIRLS SIGNED UP IN THE FIRST
9 YEAR, AND THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE HOUSING
10 AUTHORITY SPONSORED THEIR APPLICATIONS, THEIR UNIFORMS AND
11 THEIR GIRL SCOUT MANUALS. IT'S NOW THE THIRD YEAR FOR THE
12 TROOP, AND THEY ARE STILL STRONG AND PROUD, AREN'T THEY? YOU
13 SEE THEM. THEY'RE RIGHT HERE AND THEY ARE REPRESENTING.
14 [APPLAUSE.] AND LET ME TELL YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT THEY
15 HAVE DONE. THEY HAVE PARTICIPATED IN COMMUNITY EVENTS,
16 INCLUDING VOLUNTEERING WITH THE ROSE PARADE. SUPERVISOR
17 ANTONOVICH, THEY ARE PARTICIPANTS IN THE ROSE PARADE. THEY
18 PARTICIPATE IN THE WATTS PARADE. THEY HAVE EARNED BADGES IN
19 MUSIC AND ARTS AND IN COOKING. THEY DO IT ALL. AND THEY ARE
20 NOT WITHOUT AMAZING LEADERS AND CO-LEADERS WHO JUST HAPPEN TO
21 BE THE DEDICATED TEACHERS AT GRAPE STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
22 ITSELF. AND WITH THE VICE PRINCIPAL JUDITH JACKSON, GIVE MS.
23 JACKSON A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] SHE IS THE TROOP
24 LEADER. AND SHE'S BEEN WITH THE SCHOOL FOR NINE YEARS. AND
25 EVEN THOUGH SHE IS RETIRING THIS YEAR, SHE WILL CONTINUE TO

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1 LEAD THE TROOP, AND THAT'S A SIGN OF REAL DEDICATION.
2 [APPLAUSE.] SO WE APPLAUD ALL OF THE TEACHERS AND STUDENTS OF
3 GIRL SCOUT TROOP 19785 FOR THEIR DEDICATION AND THEIR
4 COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE. AND WE ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE THE
5 PRINCIPAL, WHO WILL BE LEAVING GRAPE STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
6 FOR ANOTHER ASSIGNMENT, THE VICE PRINCIPAL WHO WILL BE
7 RETIRING BUT CONTINUING TO LEAD, AND THAT ESSENTIALLY MEANS
8 THAT THIS PROGRAM IS GOING TO CONTINUE TO BE STRONG AND
9 SUPPORTIVE OF THESE YOUNG PEOPLE IN ALL THAT THEY CAN BE AND
10 WISH TO DO. I'M GOING TO ASK THE LEADER, THE GIRL SCOUT TROOP
11 LEADER, MS. JACKSON, IF SHE WOULD COME FORWARD AND RECEIVE
12 THIS AND GIVE REMARKS. GIVE HER A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, WON'T
13 YOU? [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT.

14

15 **JUDITH JACKSON:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I WANT TO THANK ALL OUR
16 GIRLS THAT CAME TODAY AND ALL OUR PARENTS THAT ARE SUPPORTING
17 OUR GIRLS AND ALL OUR STAFF. WE ARE DOING EXCITING THINGS AT
18 GRAPE STREET. AND WE ARE HAPPY TO HAVE THESE GIRLS-- MOST OF
19 THEM HAVE SIGNED UP FOR ANOTHER YEAR. AND WE REALLY DO
20 APPRECIATE IT. AND WE THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US TO COME DOWN
21 TO BE HONORED TODAY. THE GIRLS WERE REALLY EXCITED TO GET ON
22 THE BUS. THE PARENTS WERE REALLY EXCITED FOR THEIR GIRLS TO BE
23 HONORED. I THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE TAKE NOTE OF
2 OFFICER KELLY WHO IS ALSO WITH US. BIG SHOUT OUT FOR THE LOS
3 ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT AND WHAT THEY DO, INVESTING IN YOUNG
4 PEOPLE. AND I WANT TO GIVE A SHOUT OUT TO THE PARENTS. IF
5 YOU'RE A PARENT OF ONE OF THESE YOUNG PEOPLE, FAMILY MEMBERS
6 OR GUARDIANS, JUST WAVE YOUR HANDS SO WE CAN SAY HI TO YOU.
7 GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. THEY DESERVE THAT
8 ATTENTION. [APPLAUSE.] [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IF I CAN-- OH, THEY'RE HERE.
13 ALL RIGHT. IT'S A PLEASURE TO WELCOME REPRESENTATIVES OF OUR
14 OWN HOLLYWOOD BOWL TODAY TO HONOR THEM FOR BEING NAMED FOR THE
15 10TH CONSECUTIVE YEAR BY "POLLSTAR" MAGAZINE AS THE NATION'S
16 OUTSTANDING OUTDOOR VENUE AND PROMOTE THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL
17 SUMMER 2014 SEASON. THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
18 PARK AND THE NATION'S LARGEST NATURAL AMPHITHEATRE WAS NAMED
19 THE BEST MAJOR OUTDOOR CONCERT BY THE POLESTAR INDUSTRY AWARDS
20 FOR THE 10TH CONSECUTIVE YEAR. RECOGNITION BY INDUSTRY PEERS
21 IS A GATHERING TESTAMENT TO ALL THAT GOES INTO MAKING THE
22 HOLLYWOOD BOWL SHINE FOR THE MORE THAN ONE MILLION ANGELINOS
23 AND VISITORS FROM AROUND THE WORLD WHO ATTEND CONCERTS
24 ANNUALLY. THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL OPERATES UNDER THE STEWARDSHIP OF
25 THE LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC ASSOCIATION AND ITS BOARD OF

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1 DIRECTORS AND WORKS IN CLOSE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COUNTY AND
2 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO ENSURE CONTINUING
3 ENJOYMENT BY MILLIONS OF VISITORS WELL INTO THE FUTURE THROUGH
4 ONGOING INVESTMENT IN THE BOWL'S INFRASTRUCTURE AND
5 TECHNOLOGY. THE BOWL OFFERS AN ARRAY OF SERVICES AND
6 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY, FROM FREE ACCESS TO THE ED
7 EDELMAN HOLLYWOOD BOWL MUSEUM AND GROUNDS, TO A SHUTTLE
8 SERVICE THAT IS A MODEL OF CONVENIENT PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
9 FOR RECREATIONAL EVENTS AND IT BOASTS AN EXEMPLARY LINEUP OF
10 TALENT IN THIS 93RD CONCERT SEASON FROM CONDUCTORS GUSTAVO
11 DUDAMEL AND ESA-PEKKA SALONEN TO JAZZ GREAT HERBIE HANCOCK,
12 BLUES MAN BUDDY GUY AND A 50TH ANNIVERSARY BEATLES TRIBUTE
13 AMONG MANY OTHER CONCERT OFFERINGS. THE BOARD WANTS TO TAKE
14 THIS OPPORTUNITY TO HONOR THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL AND THE
15 PHILHARMONIC ASSOCIATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND
16 PARKS, PARKS AND RECREATION AND COMMEND THEM FOR THE
17 SUCCESSFUL STEWARDSHIP OF THIS INTERNATIONALLY UNIQUE VENUE
18 AND RECOGNIZE THE VENUE WORLDWIDE. SO WE COMMEND YOU. WE
19 SALUTE YOU FOR A JOB WELL DONE. THE BOWL HAS EXPERIENCED THE
20 GREATEST OF THE RESOLUTIONS OF PUBLIC INVESTMENT OVER THE LAST
21 DECADE, THAT POSITIONS IT TO BE A VERY VIABLE FUNCTIONING
22 VENUE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS WELL INTO THE 21ST CENTURY. AND
23 THAT IS A TRIBUTE TO THIS BOARD, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY TO THE
24 PEOPLE WHO ACTUALLY DO THE WORK. RUSS GUINEY, THE DEPARTMENT
25 OF PARKS AND RECREATION, GAIL SAMUELS, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

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1 OF THE PHILHARMONIC ASSOCIATION AND THE BOWL IS UNDER HER
2 JURISDICTION. IS LENNY HERE? LENNY BORESTON, DIRECTOR OF
3 COMMUNITY AND GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS, ED THOM? ED'S HERE. ED IS
4 THE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS OF THE BOWL. HE'S THE GUY THAT
5 MAKES IT CLICK AND DOES A GREAT JOB AND IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE
6 FOR ME AND MY STAFF TO WORK WITH YOU OVER ALL THESE YEARS.
7 MARK LADD, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS, RIGHT BEHIND ME.
8 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL
9 AND CHRISTINE WHITMAN, THE OPERATIONS MANAGER FOR PARKS AND
10 RECREATIONS AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL. THIS IS A TEAM THAT MAKES
11 THIS VENUE AS SUCCESSFUL AS IT IS. EVEN DURING THE RECESSION
12 OF THE LAST SIX, SEVEN YEARS, THE BOWL DID NOT TAKE THE KIND
13 OF HIT FROM ATTENDANCE POINT OF VIEW AS MOST OTHER VENUES
14 AROUND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND THE COUNTRY DID. THAT'S A
15 TRIBUTE TO THE QUALITY OF PERFORMANCES AND THE UNIQUE
16 EXPERIENCE THAT IT HAS PROVIDED AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL. IT'S
17 BEEN MY PRIVILEGE FOR THE LAST 20 YEARS TO REPRESENT THAT PART
18 OF THE COUNTY WHERE THE BOWL SITS. IT'S SOMETHING THAT'S MEANT
19 A LOT TO MY FAMILY OVER THE YEARS. IT'S CERTAINLY MEANT A LOT
20 TO HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF ANGELINOS AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO
21 SO IN THE FUTURE. AND FOR THAT WE ARE ALL GRATEFUL. SO LET ME
22 PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION TO YOU, GAIL AND RUSS. THANK YOU FOR
23 A GREAT JOB. A JOB EXTREMELY WELL DONE.
24
25 **GAIL SAMUELS:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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2 **GAIL SAMUELS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND
3 ALL THE SUPERVISORS FOR TAKING THE TIME TODAY TO ACKNOWLEDGE
4 THIS ACHIEVEMENT AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL. BEING HERE WITH MY
5 COLLEAGUES FROM THE L.A. PHIL AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND
6 RECREATION, WE ALL KNOW THAT IT'S YOUR SUPPORT THAT MAKES THIS
7 KIND OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR THE BOWL POSSIBLE AND THIS
8 RECOGNITION. I FIND THAT WE ALL SEEM TO TAKE EQUAL OWNERSHIP
9 AND EQUAL RESPONSIBILITY AND EQUAL PRIDE IN WHAT HAPPENS AT
10 THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL AND WHAT THIS COUNTY PARK IS FOR THE COUNTY
11 OF LOS ANGELES. SO I WANT TO THANK YOU. THIS PARTNERSHIP HAS
12 REALLY HELD UP AS A STANDARD AMONG MY COLLEAGUES FOR WHAT THIS
13 KIND OF A PARTNERSHIP CAN BE. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TRUST IN
14 AND YOUR SUPPORT OF THE LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC IN OUR
15 STEWARDSHIP OF THE BOWL ON BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS OF THE
16 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE EXPECT ABOUT A MILLION OF THOSE
17 PEOPLE TO COME AND SEE US AGAIN THIS YEAR. AND WE HOPE THAT
18 ALL OF YOU WILL VERY OFTEN BE AMONG THEM. THANK YOU.

19 [APPLAUSE.]

20

21 **RUSS GUINEY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR. FOR OVER 100
22 YEARS THIS NATURAL AMPHITHEATRE HAS BEEN FOR MUSIC IN THE
23 HOLLYWOOD HILLS. AND FOR ALMOST THAT LONG THE COUNTY OF LOS
24 ANGELES HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN ITS MAINTENANCE AND CARE, AND
25 WE'RE HONORED AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO

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1 HAVE THAT RESPONSIBILITY. WE COULDN'T CARRY THAT OUT WITHOUT
2 THE STRONG SUPPORT OF THE BOARD AND PARTICULARLY FROM YOU,
3 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. OVER THE YEARS, THE FUNDS YOU'VE
4 DIRECTED, THE FUNDS FROM PROP A, THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN
5 SPACE DISTRICT PARKS, THE OTHER FUNDS THAT HAVE COME TO THIS
6 TO MAKE IT THE OUTSTANDING FACILITY, AND OF COURSE, WITHOUT
7 OUR PARTNERS, THE L.A. PHILHARMONIC TO BRING THE MUSIC, IT
8 WOULDN'T BE THE GREAT PLACE IT IS. SO THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR
9 SUPPORT. WE APPRECIATE THAT AND I DO WANT TO RECOGNIZE AND
10 HONOR MY STAFF FOR THE GREAT JOB THEY DO EVERY DAY IN KEEPING
11 THE FACILITY AS WONDERFUL AS IT IS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO CALL UP OUR
14 DIRECTOR OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, BRIAN STIGER, CHIEF DEPUTY KIRK
15 SHELTON, PROGRAM MANAGER NICK AKINO, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY,
16 ARMANDO NOGAL, AND OUR 2014 JUSTICECORPS PROGRAM INTERNS. ALSO
17 JOINING US FROM THE SUPERIOR COURT, I'M TOLD, IS MANAGING
18 DIRECTOR KATHLEEN DIXON, PROGRAM DIRECTOR JENNIFER KALISH AND
19 SENIOR COORDINATOR CHERIE VAL DORRIA. TODAY WE ARE RECOGNIZING
20 THE MEMBERS OF THE CONSUMER AFFAIRS JUSTICECORPS PROGRAM WHO
21 HAVE ASSISTED AND COUNSELED IN MANY LOS ANGELES COUNTY
22 LITIGANTS IN THE DEPARTMENT'S SMALL CLAIMS COURT ADVISOR AND
23 DISPUTE SETTLEMENT SERVICE PROGRAM. THIS HAS BEEN IN
24 OPERATION, THIS IS THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY, SINCE 2004. IT'S BEEN
25 A VERY HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN OUR CONSUMER

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1 AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT AND THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT. AS I
2 MENTIONED, THIS YEAR IS EXTRA SPECIAL BECAUSE IT IS THE 10TH
3 YEAR. IT'S A SHINING EXAMPLE OF HOW GOOD GOVERNMENT CAN BE
4 WHEN WE WORK TOGETHER. IN APRIL OF THIS YEAR, THE JUSTICECORPS
5 PROGRAM RECEIVED THE CHIEF JUSTICE AWARD FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE
6 AND LEADERSHIP. IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY
7 WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT THEM A SCROLL TO THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR
8 COURT TO COMMEMORATE THE CELEBRATION BUT ALSO THROUGH THE
9 YEARS OVER 135 JUSTICECORPS INTERNS HAVE VOLUNTEERED IN EXCESS
10 OF 34,000 HOURS. 34,000 HOURS. HELPING CONSUMER AFFAIRS
11 CUSTOMERS GAIN GREATER ACCESS TO JUSTICE. OUR JUSTICECORPS
12 INTERNS HELP D.C.A. CUSTOMERS WITH KEY SERVICES, INCLUDING
13 ASSISTING SMALL CLAIM COURT LITIGANTS WITH LAWSUITS, DEFENDING
14 CASES AND COLLECTING JUDGMENTS. THE INTERNS HAVE COME FROM
15 MANY OF OUR LOCAL MAJOR UNIVERSITIES, INCLUDING U.C.L.A., OF
16 WHICH THE THREE THAT ARE UP HERE TODAY ARE ALL FROM U.C.L.A.,
17 U.C. BERKELEY, U.S.C. CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE, CAL STATE LOS
18 ANGELES AS WELL AS CAL STATE LONG BEACH. SO WE EACH YEAR AND
19 THIS YEAR THEY EACH HAD AN ASSIGNMENT TO-- AND THEY ALL FOUND
20 THEM HIGHLY GRATIFYING. WE HAD A LITTLE QUESTION AND ANSWER UP
21 HERE. THEY ALL GAVE GOOD ANSWERS, RIGHT? YEAH, YEAH, YEAH. AND
22 THEY RECEIVED THEIR SCROLLS UPSTAIRS. BUT ON BEHALF OF MY
23 COLLEAGUES ON THE BOARD HERE, IT'S OUR PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE
24 YOU AND TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK. SO CONGRATULATIONS.

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1 SO I WANT TO PRESENT THE BIG SCROLL TO BRIAN, OKAY?

2 [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. THIS HAS BEEN A WONDERFUL 10-YEAR
5 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE SUPERIOR COURT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF
6 CONSUMER AFFAIRS. WE HAVE HAD SO MANY STUDENTS WHO HAVE
7 SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED OUR PROGRAM AND HELPED THOUSANDS OF
8 LITIGANTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. IT'S NOT ONLY WONDERFUL IN
9 THAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO HELP SO MANY PEOPLE, BUT I ALSO
10 BELIEVE THAT THIS HAS BEEN A LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCE FOR OUR
11 STUDENTS, AS WELL. AND WE THANK THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER
12 AFFAIRS FOR ITS GREAT SUPPORT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **BRIAN STIGER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND BOARD MEMBERS, FOR
15 THIS RECOGNITION TODAY. WE ARE SO PROUD TO HAVE BEEN PART OF
16 THIS PROGRAM NOW FOR 10 YEARS, AND WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT
17 WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF THE BOARD. THESE YOUNG PEOPLE DO A
18 FANTASTIC JOB. IT'S A PLEASURE TO HAVE THEM, AND WE ARE
19 LOOKING FORWARD TO THE NEXT 10 YEARS. IF I COULD RECOGNIZE
20 NICK AQUINO HERE. HE MANAGES THE PROGRAM FOR THE DEPARTMENT.
21 HIS PASSION, LEADERSHIP AND COMMITMENT TO IT MAKES IT ALL
22 WORTHWHILE, SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ONE MORE ROUND OF APPLAUSE
2 FOR OUR JUSTICECORPS INTERNS. THANK YOU ALL. GOOD LUCK TO YOU.
3 GOOD LUCK IN YOUR FUTURE. [APPLAUSE.] MIKE?

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS ONCE AGAIN AN OPPORTUNITY TO
6 RECOGNIZE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE DONE EXTREMELY WELL,
7 EXTREMELY WELL IN THEIR ACADEMICS, EXTREMELY WELL IN MOVING
8 FORWARD WITH THEIR CAREER, BECAUSE WE ALL KNOW THAT EDUCATION
9 IS THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THEM TO MOVE ON AND BECOME THE
10 PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS OF TOMORROW. SO FIRST WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE
11 ANDREA GAMBOA FOR THE BEST ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT ENRICHMENT
12 PLUS PROGRAM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
13 SERVICES. ANDREA? [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FOR BEST ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, LINDA
16 GALARADO. [APPLAUSE.] FOR BEST ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, JOSE
17 DIAZ. [APPLAUSE.] BEST ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, ANDREW EVERETT.
18 [APPLAUSE.] AND FOR MOST IMPROVED ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, MARK
19 CORONA. [APPLAUSE.] AND FOR BEST ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT,
20 GLORIANA KINGSBURY. [APPLAUSE.] AND THEY ARE ALSO GOING TO
21 RECEIVE A \$50 GIFT CARD FROM BARNES AND NOBLE, AND WE
22 APPRECIATE THAT. THAT'S GIVEN TO THEM BY THE YOUTH
23 OPPORTUNITIES UNITED BOARD AND SID CARTER'S HERE, SID? OKAY.

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1 SID CARTER THANK YOU, MR. SUPERVISOR. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS.
2 MY NAME IS SID CARTER I'M HERE FROM Y.O.U., YOUTH
3 OPPORTUNITIES UNITED, WHO HAS BEEN WORKING WITH LOS ANGELES
4 LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
5 AND THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR SEVERAL YEARS. AND WE
6 JOINED WITH THEM TO RECOGNIZE THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THESE
7 YOUNG PEOPLE. AND I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ENCOURAGE ALL OF YOU TO
8 CONTINUE TO WORK HARD WE KNOW THAT IT TAKES HARD WORK TO
9 ACCOMPLISH WHAT YOU'VE ACCOMPLISHED, BUT THE HARD WORK PAYS
10 OFF. SO KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK. DON'T LOSE YOUR GIFT
11 CERTIFICATES. YOU SHOULD GO USE THEM IN THE NEXT COUPLE DAYS
12 SO THAT YOU DON'T LOSE THEM AND PUT THEM TO GOOD USE.
13 CONGRATULATIONS ONCE AGAIN AND KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.
14 [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 >>SUP. ANTONOVICH: NOW WE HAVE THE GREAT ALHAMBRA HIGH SCHOOL
17 BASEBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THEIR 10TH STRAIGHT LEAGUE
18 CHAMPIONSHIP. [APPLAUSE.] THEY WERE UNDEFEATED, 15 WINS AND NO
19 LOSSES, THE MOST THEY PLAYED IN 23 YEARS. TODAY WE HAVE THEIR
20 COACHES, STEVE GEWECKE, CHRIS CROSBY SHAWN HUNNIGAN, RICK
21 COSBY AND ANDREW AGUILAR. SO LET ME GIVE THEM THESE
22 PROCLAMATIONS FIRST. AND, STEVE?

23

24 STEVE GEWECKE: OKAY. I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
25 AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR HAVING US DOWN HERE. WE HAD A

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1 GREAT YEAR AT 22-4. AND THE 15-0 IN LEAGUE WAS THE FIRST TIME
2 THE SCHOOL'S EVER DONE IT AND THE LEAGUE HAS EVER DONE IT. AND
3 I REALLY WANT TO THANK OUR PLAYERS FOR BEING SUCH HARD WORKING
4 KIDS AND VERY COACHABLE AND ALSO THE PARENTS FOR ALL THE
5 SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** CONGRATULATIONS, GUYS. WELL DONE.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND NOW WE HAVE THE GIRLS' BASEBALL TEAM,
10 CHAMPIONSHIP FROM SIERRA CANYON-- BASKETBALL, BASKETBALL,
11 OKAY. FROM SIERRA CANYON HIGH SCHOOL. FROM CHATSWORTH. THEY
12 WON THE 2014 STATE C.I.F. BASKETBALL TITLE BY BEATING JUSTIN
13 SIENNA HIGH SCHOOL 64-37 TO TAKE THE TITLE ON MARCH 29TH. THEY
14 WERE THE FIRST GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
15 TO WIN BACK-TO-BACK TITLES. SO THEIR COACH IS ALICIA KOMAKI?
16 IS ALICIA HERE? OKAY. ALSO DAVID CANTRELL. THEY'RE NOT HERE?
17 JEREMY WHITE. AND WE WERE GOING TO HAVE THE COACH SAY A COUPLE
18 OF WORDS.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** LOWER IT A LITTLE BIT FOR ME. WE'RE VERY HONORED TO
21 BE HERE. IT SEEMS LIKE A LITTLE WHILE AGO THAT WE WON THIS,
22 BUT WE COULDN'T GET OUT OF SCHOOL TO COME EARLIER. SO WE'RE
23 VERY HAPPY THAT WE CAN BE HERE NOW AND WE THANK THE
24 SUPERVISORS FOR RECOGNIZING US AND HONORING US TODAY. SO THANK
25 YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE LITTLE BAKER WHO IS A SPANIEL
3 MIX, A LITTLE BOY WHO'S BEEN FIXED, ALTERED, A LITTLE SOPRANO.
4 SO YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4610 AND LITTLE BAKER-- HI, BAKER, OH.
5 LITTLE BAKER CAN BE YOURS. BAKER IS EIGHT MONTHS OLD AND HE'S
6 LOOKING FOR A HOME. MAYBE GO TO BRADBURY.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA? OKAY, THANK YOU. ALL
9 RIGHT. WE'LL BEGIN THE MEETING, THEN. CALL THE FOLKS UP ON
10 MULTIPLE ITEMS. GENEVIEVE, DR. CLAVREUL, ITEMS 27, 33, 35, 46.
11 SACHS, 1-D, 1-P, 5, 12, 14, 17, 37, 39, 40, 62, 65, 67-B.
12 PREVEN, 3-D, 4-D, 16, 17, 19, 38, 45, 46. YES, SIR.

13

14 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S A BIG PLATE INCLUDING JOB ORDER CONTRACTING
15 WHICH TODAY THE I.S.D., INTERNAL SERVICES DIVISION, IS ROLLING
16 OUT 10 \$4.5 MILLION JOB ORDER CONTRACTS FOR FOLKS TO BID ON.
17 WE HAVE TO WATCH THIS VERY, VERY CLOSELY BECAUSE THIS IS THE
18 GROUP, ONE OF THE MANY GROUPS, THAT DEPLOY THIS SERVICE WHERE
19 FOLKS ARE BIDDING THE LOW MULTIPLE AGAINST A PRICE BOOK. SO WE
20 HAVE SEEN, UNFORTUNATELY-- AND C.E.O. FUJIOKA IS AWARE OF THIS
21 BUT NOT PARTICULARLY INTERESTED-- WE HAVE SEEN VERY LOW
22 BIDDING. AND NOW IT HAS BECOME CLEAR WITH THAT BIG CASE
23 AGAINST LOCKHEED MARTIN THAT IN FACT VERY LOW BIDDING OR
24 BIDDING UNDER VALUE BIDDING CAN ACTUALLY BE CONSIDERED VERY
25 LEGAL UNDER THE FALSE CLAIMS ACT SO I WOULD URGE THE ATTORNEYS

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1 TO SIT FORWARD ON THIS NOW, TOO, BECAUSE WHAT WE HAVE SEEN IN
2 PUBLIC WORKS AND I.S.D. AND OF COURSE IN THE COMMUNITY
3 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION IS EXTREMELY LOW BIDDING TO GET THE
4 CONTRACT AT ANY COST. AND ITEMS THAT ARE OUTSIDE THE PRICE
5 BOOK ARE NOT DEFINED IN FRONT OF THIS BOARD SO YOU HAVE NO
6 IDEA WHETHER A GUY IS MAKING A DEAL FOR A MILLION BUCKS TO DO
7 SOME SUBCONTRACTING ON WHICH THEY TAKE-- I REALIZE WE'RE A
8 LITTLE IN THE WEEDS ON THAT, BUT THIS IS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT.
9 AND I DO NOT LIKE BEING NOTIFIED THAT WE ARE GETTING THE YOUTH
10 EMPLOYMENT NUMBER ON THIS WHEN IN FACT WE'RE NOT. THE YOUTH
11 EMPLOYMENT FUNDING WHICH WE WERE PROMISED IN ITEM 46 OR 45, I
12 GUESS IT'S 45, I DON'T SEE ANY YOUTH EMPLOYMENT NUMBER IN
13 THERE. I DO SEE THE GORDIAN GROUP FEES OUT OF STATE BEING IN
14 EXCESS OF \$10,000 AND I SEE THE CIVIC ART MONEY WHICH I DO
15 SUPPORT AND APPROVE, PUT \$10,000 THERE. THAT SAID, ITEM NO.
16 67-D AND 67-C I HAVE TO SAY, FOLKS, THIS IS THE ARTS
17 COMMISSION. REVISING THE ORDINANCE TO BRING THE EXECUTIVE
18 DIRECTOR OF THOSE TWO GROUPS, THAT'S LAURA ZUCKER AND WENDELL
19 ADAM DAVIS WHO ARE NICE FOLKS RUNNING OUR ARTS COMMISSION, BUT
20 WHY ARE WE GIVING THEM AN INCREASE ON A SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA?
21 AND THEN THE INCREASE ITSELF SAYS OH, THIS IS NOT AN INCREASE,
22 IT'S FOR LATER. I FIND THAT NOT-- BY THE WAY, WHAT IS THE
23 SUPPLEMENTAL INCREASE? I THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE TO DISCLOSE
24 IT. EVERYBODY ELSE HAS TO DISCLOSE THEIR SALARIES. ITEM NO. 16
25 IS PAY FOR SUCCESS. HERE WE HAVE A BOLD NEW INITIATIVE BEING

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1 ROLLED OUT BY A GROUP CALLED THIRD SECTOR CAPITAL PARTNERS. I
2 THINK THAT'S MEANT TO MEAN PUBLIC SECTOR, PRIVATE SECTOR, THE
3 THIRD SECTOR, KIND OF A BALANCE. OF COURSE IT SEEMS TO BE
4 LINKED TO A GROUP CALLED C.D.W. THAT HAD \$10.8 BILLION IN NET
5 SALES IN 2013. SO I WOULD JUST LOOK CLOSELY AT THAT. ITEM NO.
6 4-D, THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN
7 OR HOUSING AUTHORITY IN 3-D, AGAIN, XEROX IS THE COMPANY THAT
8 OWNS A.C.S. WHO HAS A VERY INTERESTING DEAL WITH VARIOUS
9 ENTITIES IN THIS GROUP. WE HAVE TO WATCH THAT CLOSELY. THEY
10 PUSHED OUT CANON IN SOME COMPETITIVE BIDDING CATEGORICALLY
11 WHICH WE'VE SEEN WAY TOO MUCH OF. ITEM NO. 20 ON MY CLOSE HOW
12 ARE WE APPROVING TESTING FOR D.C.F.S. PARENTS TO A COMPANY
13 FROM ARIZONA? I DON'T KNOW WHY WOULD WE DO THAT? WHY WOULD WE
14 FARM OUT \$5 MILLION WORTH OF DRUG TESTS?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, NEXT?

17

18 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
19 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM 27 HAVING TO DO WITH D.H.S.
20 AND W.E.R.C. WITH A SO-CALLED NONPROFIT 501 (C) 3, WHICH IS
21 TOTALLY UNDER THE HAND OF THE S.E.I.U., I WOULD SAY CONFLICT
22 OF INTEREST. AND ESPECIALLY ONE OF THE HEAD OF THAT PROJECT IS
23 ALSO A COMMISSIONER ON THE COMMISSION OF HOSPITALS. I THINK
24 THAT'S RATHER INAPPROPRIATE. ON ITEM 33, YOU KNOW HOW I FEEL
25 ABOUT L.A. CARE, AND I'M SEEING ANOTHER CONTRACT COME IN WITH

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1 THE QUASI-GOVERNMENT ENTITY WHICH DOES NOT PLEASE ME AT ALL.
2 AND MY ALL TIME FAVORITE, ITEM 40-C, HAVING TO DO WITH M.L.K.
3 BUT THIS TIME IT IS NOT M.L.K., L.A. CORPORATION, NONPROFIT
4 CORPORATION. IT IS ABOUT M.L.K RECUPERATIVE CARE CENTER, WHICH
5 QUITE COME AS A SURPRISE BECAUSE I HAD NOT HEARD OF IT. IT'S
6 LIKE LAST YEAR THE SPEECH DONE BY ONE OF MR.-- SUPERVISOR
7 RIDLEY-THOMAS SPEAKING ABOUT RECUPERATIVE HOSPITAL, I HAD
8 NEVER HEARD OF THAT TERM AGAIN. AND ALL OF A SUDDEN WE HAVE IT
9 BACK ON THE SCHEDULE. AND ON THIS ONE, THERE IS NO DETAIL WHO
10 IS GOING TO RUN THAT ENTITY EXCEPT WE ARE GOING TO PAY FOR IT,
11 AS USUAL. YOU KNOW, I HAVE BEEN ASKING FOR THE SIGNED M.L.K--
12 I HAVE BEEN ASKING FOR THE SIGNED M.L.K. LEASE FOR QUITE
13 SOMETIME. FINALLY LAST WEEK I WAS GIVEN TO THE LEASE, EXCEPT
14 IT WAS NOT A SIGNED LEASE. AFTER A FEW DAYS AND MULTIPLE PHONE
15 CALLS AND MULTIPLE EMAIL I WAS GIVEN ANOTHER LINK TO A SO-
16 CALLED SIGNED LEASE. YOU KNOW, I'M CONCERNED WITH THE LACK OF
17 UNDERSTANDING OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE IN THIS PLACE HERE. I
18 HAVE ASKED REPEATEDLY TO HAVE AN APPOINTMENT TO GO IN PERSON
19 TO LOOK AT THAT LEASE. I HAVE THE RIGHT TO DO THAT. AND ONCE
20 MORE I DEMAND TO HAVE AN APPOINTMENT TO SEE THAT LEASE. WHY IS
21 IT NOT ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC? IT'S NOT DIFFICULT, YOU KNOW,
22 FROM 9 TO 5 AT ANY TIME YOU CAN ORGANIZE A MEETING, I'D BE
23 GLAD TO GO. AND I WILL NOT STOP ASKING FOR IT UNTIL I GET IT.
24 I WILL BE RELENTLESS. AND, YOU KNOW, I'M NOT GOING TO
25 MISBEHAVE BECAUSE THE WAY YOU ARE TREATING THE PUBLIC SHOULD

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1 MAKE PEOPLE FURIOUS AND TO MISBEHAVE. I'M NOT GOING TO LOWER
2 MYSELF TO YOUR LEVEL. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. DUE TO THE LARGESSE OF KNABE, I HAVE
7 THREE MINUTES THAT WE GET. I DO HOLD MULTIPLE ITEMS. I HELD 1-
8 D. IT MENTIONS IN YOUR AGENDA ITEM, THE ANNUAL ALLOCATION OF
9 C.D.B.G. FUNDS FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. AND YET I BELIEVE
10 IT WAS TWO WEEKS AGO YOU HAD THE ACTION PLAN WHERE YOU ROLLED
11 OVER \$16 MILLION OF C.D.B.G. FUNDS, \$48 MILLION PLAN. SO ARE
12 HOW ARE YOU SPENDING THE ALLOCATION FROM THE FEDERAL
13 GOVERNMENT AND STILL HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO ROLL OVER \$16
14 MILLION? I HELD ITEM 1-P, YOU MENTIONED-- YOU WANT TO CLARIFY
15 THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT GUIDELINES REGARDING
16 THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION OF 1996. DON'T YOU
17 THINK YOU SHOULD HAVE DONE THAT WHEN THEY FILED THE WHITTIER
18 LAWSUIT? BECAUSE THE PROPOSITION IS ALL ABOUT WHAT YOU CAN DO
19 WITH PUBLIC PROPERTY THAT WAS PURCHASED WITH THESE-- THE
20 PROPOSITION OF 1996. AND COUNTY COUNSEL KNEW ABOUT THE OIL
21 FIELDS, THE OIL WELL DRILLING THAT WAS GOING TO GO ON WITH THE
22 CITY OF-- THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE PRIVATE
23 ENTERPRISE. DON'T YOU THINK THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN AWARE OF
24 THAT? DON'T YOU THINK YOU SHOULD CLARIFY THAT? YOU HEARD
25 SUPERVISOR MOLINA DISCUSSING THAT LAST WEEK. OF COURSE SHE WAS

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1 WRONG BECAUSE SHE NEVER MENTIONED THAT THE COUNTY COUNSEL
2 ALREADY KNEW THE INFORMATION. AND SHE WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THIS
3 NEW OIL COMPANY IN MALIBU. I HELD ITEM NO. 5. \$50 A DAY FOR
4 VEHICLES AT DOCKWEILER. YOU KNOW, YOU USED THAT BUS SERVICE
5 THERE. AND PART OF THE 1996 PROPOSITION MENTIONED SOMETHING TO
6 DO WITH CLEAN BEACHES. SO WHAT'S THE PUBLIC BENEFIT FOR THE
7 INNER CITY? THEY'RE PAYING FOR THAT PROPOSITION BUT THEY'RE
8 NOT ABLE TO GET PUBLIC TRANSIT, LOW COST TRANSPORTATION FOR
9 LOW COST PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT BECAUSE THERE'S NO BUS SERVICE
10 TO PUBLIC BEACHES. GREAT JOB. HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM. ITEM
11 NO. 12. HAVE YOU DECIDED TO PUT IN A NO SMOKING REQUIREMENT?
12 YOU KNOW, THE NAVY WAS DISCUSSING ELIMINATING SMOKING AMONG
13 ITS ACTIVE MEMBERS OR ITS ENLISTEES OR WHATEVER. DON'T YOU
14 THINK YOU OUGHT TO ELIMINATE SMOKING AMONG EMPLOYEES WHO WORK
15 FOR THE GOVERNMENT? THE PUBLIC PAYS FOR IT. I HELD ITEM 14.
16 REPORT BACK. WELL, LET'S SEE. 14 AND A-3, THEY'RE PRETTY
17 SIMILAR. A-3 IS AN ANALYSIS AND OPINION ON ACTUARY
18 METHODOLOGIES BEING USED BY L.A.C.E.R.A. AND THIS ONE TODAY
19 YOU'RE GOING TO APPROVE ACTUARIAL VALUATION REPORT USED BY
20 L.A.C.E.R.A. HAVE YOU GOTTEN THE REPORT BACK? BY THE WAY, THAT
21 WAS FROM NOVEMBER OF 2010. THIS IS 2014. NO REPORT BACK YET.
22 THE METRO GOLD LINE FOOTHILL EXTENSION, OH WE WON'T EVEN GO
23 THERE. HEALTH CARE, YOU WANT TO SEND A LETTER TO CONGRESS. I'M
24 REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THAT. LOOK AT THE HOUSING AT THE V.A.
25 ADMINISTRATION IN WEST L.A. YOU DONE A LOT THERE, TOO.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

3

4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOU'RE WELCOME.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 1-P, 33 AND 35-- PATRICK O'ROURKE?

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8 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** MY CONCERN TODAY REGARDS IS THE BASIC
9 INCOMPATIBILITY WITH D.M.H. AND D.P.S.S. WORKING TOGETHER.
10 BEFORE AT THE LAST MEETING YOU HAD STATED THAT THERE WOULD BE
11 A LARGER ORGANIZATION WITH A HEAD BODY THAT WOULD OVERSEE
12 D.C.F.S. AND D.M.H. AND ALL THIS, BUT YOU STATED THAT D.C.F.S.
13 WOULD STILL BE IN CHARGE. IF YOU APPOINT ANY CONTRACT OR ANY
14 CHANGE THAT ALLOWS D.C.F.S. TO OVERSEE THE INVESTIGATIONS OR
15 HAVE THE ABILITY TO OVERRULE D.M.H. INVESTIGATIONS OF
16 VIOLATIONS BY SOCIAL WORKERS OR ANYTHING RELATING TO A CHILD
17 WITHIN FOSTER CARE, THEN YOU ARE ALLOWING D.C.F.S. TO GO AHEAD
18 AND VIOLATE THE LAW. IF YOU REMEMBER, EARLIER THIS YEAR THERE
19 WAS A CHILD THAT WAS FORCED TO EAT SOMETHING OUT OF THE TRASH.
20 A TEACHER WAS, WHAT WAS HAPPENED? A TEACHER WAS FIRED BECAUSE
21 SHE FORCED A CHILD TO EAT SOMETHING OUT OF THE TRASH. TODAY WE
22 HAVE A PERSON HERE WHO BASICALLY THERE WAS NO CONTACT BY THE--
23 TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH, D.P.S.S. OR TO THE CRIMINAL
24 INVESTIGATION BRANCH REGARDING A CHILD WHO WAS FORCED BY A
25 FOSTER PARENT TO EAT A BANANA THAT HAD BEEN OPENED. SHE HAD

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1 TAKEN TWO BITES OF IT HER BANANA, THROWN IT AWAY IN THE
2 WOMEN'S RESTROOM. THE FOSTER FATHER WENT INTO THAT RESTROOM,
3 FORCED THAT CHILD TO EAT A BANANA THAT WAS THROWN IN THE TRASH
4 AND WAS THROWN OUT OF THE FACILITY, BANNED FROM RETURNING TO
5 THE FACILITY BECAUSE OF HIS BEHAVIOR. THIS HAPPENED A MONTH
6 AGO. D.C.F.S., I JUST TALKED TO ONE OF THE PEOPLE OVER THE
7 PHONE THAT'S SUPPOSED TO BE INVESTIGATING IT, THEY'RE TALKING
8 ABOUT GETTING BACK TO US. THEY HAVEN'T INVESTIGATED. MATTER OF
9 FACT, MODIFIED REPORT WHICH WAS GIVEN TO THE JUDGE DOES NOT
10 MENTION THAT HE WAS THROWN OUT OF THE FACILITY. IT DOES NOT
11 MENTION THE CRIMINAL OR NEGLECT OR WILLFUL ENDANGERMENT OF A
12 CHILD THROUGH A BANANA THAT WAS IN A PUBLIC RESTROOM, EXPOSING
13 THAT CHILD TO A NUMBER OF PATHOGENS. YET THIS BOARD STILL
14 SUPPORTS A D.M.H, A D.P.S.S. AND OTHER AGENCIES WHICH ARE
15 STILL SUBJECT TO D.C.F.S., WHICH CAN STATE THAT "WE DON'T WANT
16 IT INVESTIGATED, SO WE HAVE AUTHORITY TO DENY AN
17 INVESTIGATION." YOU GUYS NEED TO GET ON THE BALL. GET A HEADS
18 UP AND GET YOUR HEADS OUT OF YOUR BOTTOMS. YOU NEED TO WAKE
19 UP. THIS IS A WAKEUP CALL. [APPLAUSE.] I TELL YOU THIS, IF YOU
20 DECIDE TO EAT THIS BANANA, I'LL OPEN IT UP, PUT IT IN A TRASH
21 CAN, PUT IT OUTSIDE. I'LL--

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DONE. THANK YOU. YOU'RE DONE. YOU'RE
24 DONE.

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MR. CHAIRMAN--

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3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** REMIND THEM THAT WE DON'T NEED THE EXTRA
4 CONVERSATION OUT THERE? THANK YOU. GO AHEAD.

5

6 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC OFFICER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS
7 ARE BEFORE THIS BOARD. ITEM NO. 1-D, 3-D, 4-D, 1-P, 5, 12, 14,
8 17, 19, 27, 33, 35, 37, 39, 40, 45, 46, 62, 65 AND 67-B. THOSE
9 ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.
12 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE
13 THE ORDER.

14

15 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** UP FIRST? ADJOURNMENTS, OR YOU CAN CALL
18 UP ANY ITEMS THAT YOU HELD.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'M PREPARED TO DO BOTH, IF YOU WISH, MR.
21 CHAIR.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, GO AHEAD.

24

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I ASK THAT WE TURN OUR ATTENTION TO
2 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS. MS. LEE OMIAH
3 CLEGG, BORN JANUARY 24, 1916 IN ARKANSAS AND PASSED ON 4TH OF
4 JUNE AT THE AGE OF 98. SHE ATTENDED SEGREGATED SCHOOLS IN
5 ARKANSAS WHERE HER FATHER WAS A PASTOR OF A LOCAL CHURCH AND
6 SHE LATER ATTENDED HILLANDER SMITH COLLEGE, AN HISTORICALLY
7 BLACK COLLEGE IN LITTLE ROCK. 1943, MS. CLEGG MOVED TO LOS
8 ANGELES AND MARRIED GRANT CLEGG, SR. IN 1951, MOVED TO THE
9 CITY OF COMPTON WHERE THEY RESIDED FOR SOME 63 YEARS. MS.
10 CLEGG WAS A MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, THE
11 WILLOWBROOK SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE COMPTON UNIFIED SCHOOL
12 DISTRICT. SHE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF VARIOUS PARENT TEACHER
13 ASSOCIATIONS IN COMPTON INCLUDING EL SEGUNDO ELEMENTARY
14 SCHOOL, VANDEGARD JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, CENTENNIAL HIGH SCHOOL
15 AND DOMINGUEZ HIGH SCHOOL. IN 1960 SHE WAS THE RECIPIENT OF AN
16 HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP IN THE P.T.A. SHE WAS ALSO AN ACTIVE
17 MEMBER OF THE PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES FOR SOME
18 71 YEARS SERVING VARIOUS POSITIONS, INCLUDING AS A SUNDAY
19 SCHOOL INSTRUCTOR. MS. CLEGG ALSO BELONGED TO VARIOUS OTHER
20 ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN.
21 AMONG HER MOST DISTINGUISHED HONORS WAS BEING NAMED MOTHER OF
22 THE YEAR BY THE COMPTON EDUCATION FOUNDATION AND BY THEN
23 ASSEMBLY MEMBER MERVIN M. DIMELY. SHE WAS INDUCTED INTO THE
24 COMPTON HALL OF FAME BY THE COMPTON COMMISSION FOR WOMEN IN
25 1995. MS. CLEGG WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A PROMINENT MATRIARCH IN

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1 COMPTON ALONG WITH HER DEDICATION TO THE COMMUNITY. MS. CLEGG
2 IS SURVIVED BY HER FOUR SONS, LEGRAND, PERZELL, ARNOLD AND
3 ALBERT, THEIR SPOUSES AND GRANDCHILDREN AS WELL AS MANY GREAT
4 GRANDCHILDREN, FRIENDS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO WILL INDEED MISS
5 HER. MS. LEE OMIAH CLEGG. AND THEN MR. CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES,
6 WOULD YOU JOIN ME IN IN AN ADJOINING IN ADJOURNMENT OF MS.
7 RUBY DEE. BORN OCTOBER 27, 1922 IN CLEVELAND OHIO AND PASSED
8 ON JUNE 11 AT THE AGE OF 91. SHE WENT TO HIGH SCHOOL IN NEW
9 YORK AND GRADUATED FROM HUNTER COLLEGE WHERE SHE EARNED HER
10 BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN LANGUAGE. FOCUS IN FRENCH AND SPANISH.
11 SHE MET HER HUSBAND, THE LATE OSSIE DAVIS IN 1948 WHILE
12 PERFORMING IN A BROADWAY PLAY. HE PRECEDED HER IN DEATH AS WE
13 KNOW IN 2005. SHE STARTED IN A MULTITUDE OF FILMS AND PLAYS,
14 INCLUDING THE "JACKIE ROBINSON STORY" IN 1950 AND "RAISIN IN
15 THE SUN" IN 1961. AT THE AGE OF 83, SHE RECEIVED HER FIRST
16 ACADEMY AWARD NOMINATION FOR HER WORK IN "AMERICAN GANGSTER."
17 IN 1963, DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT, RUBY DEE AND HER
18 HUSBAND OSSIE WERE THE EMCEES DURING THE MARTIN LUTHER KING
19 MARCH ON WASHINGTON, THAT GREAT SPEECH HE GAVE AT THAT TIME.
20 THEY WERE A POWERFUL COUPLE THAT APPEARED TOGETHER THROUGHOUT
21 THEIR MARRIAGE IN ACTIVISM AND IN ROLES IN FILM, PLAYS AND
22 T.V. PRODUCTIONS. RUBY DEE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS AN INCREDIBLE
23 ACTRESS WHO REPRESENTED WOMANHOOD FROM AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN
24 PERSPECTIVE AND BEYOND, FOR HER DEDICATION AND COMMITMENTS TO
25 CIVIL RIGHTS AS WELL AS HUMAN RIGHTS, AND FOR HER COURAGE AND

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1 HER BEAUTY. MRS. DEE IS SURVIVED BY HER SON GUY, DAUGHTERS
2 NORA AND HESNA AND 7 GRANDCHILDREN WHO WILL MISS HER GREATLY
3 AS WELL A GRATEFUL NATION AND A WORLD FOR THE EXTRAORDINARY
4 GIFTS THAT SHE DISPLAYED. RUBY DEE, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I
5 ASK THAT WE ALL ADJOURN IN HER MEMORY.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS, SO ORDERED.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IF I MAY, ITEM NO. 16 IS A
10 MATTER THAT I THINK WE CAN AND SHOULD TURN OUR ATTENTION TO.
11 IT'S A MATTER THAT WE BOTH BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE
12 BOARD IN SEPTEMBER OF LAST YEAR. WE MADE IT CLEAR IN OUR
13 MOTION THAT THE COUNTY SPENDS BILLIONS OF DOLLARS ADDRESSING
14 HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUES. AND TOO OFTEN
15 WE TAKE A POINT THAT THE MONEY IS SPENT ON PROGRAMS THAT
16 REMEDIATE SOCIAL PROBLEMS RATHER THAN PREVENT THEM. AND WHILE
17 WE RECOGNIZE REMEDIATION IS CRITICAL TO SERVING THE NEEDS OF
18 CONSTITUENTS, A LACK OF FOCUS ON PREVENTION LEADS TO THE NEED
19 FOR COSTLY REMEDIAL SERVICES IN THE FUTURE. WE CAME FORWARD
20 WITH THE NOTION OF A SOCIAL IMPACT BOND AT THE TIME. IT PASSED
21 UNANIMOUSLY. THE ONE MEMBER OF THE BOARD WAS ABSENT AT THE
22 TIME. AND WE HAVE BEFORE US APPROVAL OF AN ITEM WHICH WILL
23 ENABLE THE COUNTY TO RETAIN THE OUTSIDE EXPERTISE AT NO COST
24 FOR TECHNICAL ADVICE ON PAY-FOR-SUCCESS, PER A MOTION THAT WAS
25 ADOPTED IN NOVEMBER OF 2012, AND IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY

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1 THE BOARD DIRECTIVE. WHEN THE ENTITY THIRD SECTOR WAS NAMED
2 AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD BECAUSE OF ITS KNOWLEDGE AND
3 EXPERTISE IN ESTABLISHING PAY-FOR-SUCCESS AGREEMENTS IN A
4 NUMBER OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS, AND THEN THOSE JURISDICTIONS
5 HAVE BEEN NOW DOCUMENTED. WE HAVE DATA THAT MAKE IT ABUNDANTLY
6 CLEAR, MOST RECENTLY IN SANTA CLARA, EFFORTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO
7 MOVE FORWARD AN AGENDA ON PAY-FOR-SUCCESS. THIS IS RECEIPT OF
8 RESOURCES AND NO FURTHER PAY-FOR-SUCCESS INITIATIVES WOULD BE
9 FORMALLY ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THIS ITEM WITHOUT FURTHER BOARD
10 APPROVAL OF THE SCOPE, STRUCTURE AND SUBJECT MATTER, FINANCING
11 AND POTENTIAL PARTICIPANTS. SO THIS IS NARROWLY DEFINED. WE
12 ARE BULLETPROOF ON THIS. AND WE SIMPLY WANT TO MOVE FORWARD
13 WITH THIS MATTER BECAUSE IT IS APPROPRIATE THAT WE DO ALL THAT
14 WE CAN IN TERMS OF SOCIAL INNOVATION AS WELL AS PRUDENCE IN
15 OUR BUDGETING PROCESS. I SO MOVE, MR. CHAIRMAN.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE CHAIR WILL SECOND IT. SUPERVISOR
18 ANTONOVICH HELD THE ITEM?

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE APPROVAL OF THIS MOTION TODAY, DOES THAT
21 IN ANY WAY IMPLY THE BOARD WOULD SUPPORT SOCIAL IMPACT BONDS
22 OR PAY-FOR-SUCCESS PROPOSAL IN THE FUTURE?

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WHAT IT WILL DO-- THE QUICK ANSWER IS NO.
25 BECAUSE WHAT IT DOES TODAY IS TAKES US TO THE NEXT STEP, TO

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1 DEVELOP A BLUEPRINT WITH THE AID OF THIS CONSULTANT. ONCE THE
2 BLUEPRINT IS DEVELOPED, IT WILL BE THEN PRESENTED TO THE
3 BOARD. IT WILL IDENTIFY EXACTLY HOW THIS PROGRAM WOULD WORK
4 AND MOST IMPORTANTLY HOW THIS PROGRAM WILL BE FINANCED. SO
5 TODAY'S ACTION DOESN'T OBLIGATE YOU. IT'S JUST THE NEXT STEP
6 AND CHARACTERIZED AS THE DUE DILIGENCE OF THE PROGRAM.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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10 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, WHAT I'M CONCERNED ABOUT
11 IN THIS PROPOSAL, AND I WAS THE THIRD VOTE THE LAST TIME
12 AROUND. I CAN SUPPORT THIS. THERE'S NOT A PROBLEM WITH IT.
13 THIS IS THE SLOWEST MOVING MOTION I HAVE EVER SEEN IN MY LIFE.
14 I MEAN, I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY WE CAN'T GET ANSWERS TO BASIC
15 QUESTIONS LIKE: AS WE PROCEED FORWARD, HOW IS THIS GOING TO
16 FUNCTION? AND I WOULD REALLY RECOMMEND, I SAID TO THE C.E.O.
17 YESTERDAY, YOU START BACKWARDS. THERE ARE ASPECTS OF THIS
18 PROGRAM THAT ARE ABSOLUTELY FABULOUS AND THEY WOULD ADD SO
19 MUCH TO THE WELL-BEING OF SOCIAL PROGRAMS THROUGHOUT THE
20 COUNTRY. BUT THERE IS A CLEAR-- THERE'S AN OUTSTANDING ASPECT
21 OF IT, AND THAT IS HOW DO WE PAY THE INVESTORS? AND THAT'S
22 PART OF THE PROGRAM HERE. AND WHAT I'M INTERESTED IN IS THAT
23 IF WE MOVE ON THIS TRACK-- AND I WANT US TO MOVE FORWARD ON
24 THIS TRACK, WE NEED TO HAVE THAT ANSWER. WE ASKED IT THE LAST
25 TIME. YOU DON'T NEED A CONSULTANT TO FIGURE IT OUT. I MEAN,

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1 THIS PROGRAM WAS DESIGNED WITH BEGINNING TO END, AND SO
2 CONSEQUENTLY, THOSE ARE NOT HARD QUESTIONS THAT SHOULD BE
3 ANSWERED. I DON'T KNOW IF THEY CAN ANSWER THEM TODAY BECAUSE
4 I'VE BEEN ASKING. BUT I DO THINK THAT IT ISN'T A COMPLEX ISSUE
5 WHEN YOU HAVE TO GO THROUGH A WHOLE MECHANISM TO HIRE. NOW
6 YOU'RE GETTING MONEY? I UNDERSTAND IT IS MOVING THIS PROCESS
7 FORWARD. BUT I THINK THIS BOARD IS ENTITLED TO SOME BASIC
8 ANSWERS OF HOW WILL THIS PROGRAM EVENTUALLY ROLL OUT? I DON'T
9 HAVE A PROBLEM WITH PAYING INVESTORS, BUT I NEED TO KNOW HOW
10 IT'S GOING TO BE DONE. AND SO IF I COULD ADD AN AMENDMENT TO
11 THIS TO SAY-- TO GET THE C.E.O. TO START ANSWERING THOSE
12 QUESTIONS IN SOME KIND OF LOGIC SO THAT WE CAN UNDERSTAND HOW
13 THIS-- THIS DOESN'T PREVENT THE OTHER FROM HAPPENING.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD CONCUR WITH THAT AS A FRIENDLY
16 AMENDMENT. THE STRUCTURE AS IT IS IN NEW YORK CURRENTLY,
17 OBVIOUSLY ANY REPAYMENTS TO THE INVESTOR TAKES A PERIOD OF
18 TIME AND THEY'RE ANTICIPATING UP TO FOUR YEARS. THE IMPORTANT
19 THING OF THIS IS THE FUNDS VERY SPECIFIC PROGRAMS. THEY ARE
20 DOING A PROGRAM ON REICHERS ISLAND RIGHT NOW. AND THE FIRST
21 YEAR OF THE STATISTICS ARE IN. BUT WE CAN FIND OUT ADDITIONAL
22 INFORMATION TO MAKE SURE, BUT IT'S A LONG PERIOD OF TIME
23 PAYBACK FOR THE INVESTOR BECAUSE THAT'S THE WHOLE PURPOSE, IS
24 TO HAVE THE PRIVATE SECTOR FUND THAT FIRST PART VERSUS THE

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1 PUBLIC SECTOR. SO HE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET THAT INFORMATION.

2 WE CAN GET YOU ALL THE INFORMATION FROM THE NEW YORK PROGRAM.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I AGREE WITH THAT, MR. CHAIRMAN. AND
5 THERE'S A DOCUMENT HERE THAT PRETTY EXPLICITLY DELINEATES SOME
6 OF WHAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS CALLING FOR THAT SHOULD BE AT THE
7 DISPOSAL OF THE C.E.O. IT DOCUMENTS WHAT'S GOING ON IN
8 CALIFORNIA COMMUNITIES AND OHIO AND CONNECTICUT AND ILLINOIS
9 AS WELL AS NEW YORK. AND IT IS AT THE DISPOSAL OF ANYONE WHO
10 TENDS TO CHECK IT OUT AND IT WILL BE A GOOD THING TO DO SO.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M WITH THAT. WITH THAT FRIENDLY
13 AMENDMENT THEN--

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S NOT IN THE REPORT THEY GAVE US.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, IT'S NOT.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO. I'M ESSENTIALLY SAYING THAT THE
20 C.E.O.'S OFFICE CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, WITH THAT FRIENDLY AMENDMENT,
23 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. THAT'S IT FOR ME.

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1

2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY? YOU'RE UP NEXT.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE A COUPLE OF ADJOURNING MOTIONS. FIRST
5 I'D LIKE TO ASK THE BOARD TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CASEY KASEM,
6 A CONSTITUENT OF OURS FOR MANY YEARS. RADIO PERSONALITY AND
7 LONG TIME HOST OF MUSIC PROGRAM "AMERICAN TOP 40" PASSED AWAY
8 A COUPLE DAYS AGO AT THE AGE OF 82 AFTER A LONG ILLNESS. CASEY
9 WAS A NATIVE OF DETROIT, ESTABLISHED HIMSELF IN THE LOS
10 ANGELES RADIO MARKET AS ONE OF THE STAR D.J.'S ON TOP 40
11 STATION K.R.L.A., BEFORE CREATING A SYNDICATED COUNTDOWN
12 PROGRAM THAT MADE HIM FAMOUS AROUND THE WORLD. HE ALSO
13 APPEARED IN SEVERAL FILMS AND IN NUMEROUS ROLES AS A VOICEOVER
14 ACTOR. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE JEANE, THREE CHILDREN, JULIE,
15 CARRIE AND MIKE, AND A BROTHER MOONER. ALL MEMBERS. I'D ALSO
16 LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LOUIS BLAU LONGTIME
17 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY ATTORNEY FOR DIRECTOR STANLEY KUBRICK
18 AND MANY OTHERS. RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 99.
19 GRADUATE OF L.A. HIGH SCHOOL AND U.C.L.A., HE ENLISTED IN THE
20 ARMY AIR CORPS DURING WORLD WAR II, STATIONED IN THE ALEUTIAN
21 ISLANDS WHERE HE FLEW MANY MISSIONS OVER JAPAN AS A PILOT WITH
22 THE 404TH BOMB SQUADRON. WAS AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING
23 CROSS. HE ALSO SERVED IN PERU AS AIR ATTACHE AND SPENT MANY
24 YEARS IN SOUTH AMERICAN BEFORE RETURNING TO SOUTHERN
25 CALIFORNIA TO RESUME HIS LEGAL CAREER. HE AMASSED A STAGGERING

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1 CLIENT LIST INCLUDING THE TOP PERFORMERS AND ARTISTS OF THE
2 DAY, RANGING FROM DIRECTOR STANLEY KUBRICK, WHOM HE
3 REPRESENTED FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS TO FRANCOIS TRUFFAUT, TO
4 MANY ITALIAN STARS LIKE ALITA VALLI AND ROSANNO BRAZZI, TO
5 AMERICAN STARS LIKE RICHARD WIDMARK, WALTER MATTHAU, LANA
6 TURNER AND COUNTLESS OTHERS. HE ALSO REPRESENTED ALEX HALEY,
7 DANIELLE STEEL, WRITERS LIKE LARRY GELBART AND MANY, MANY
8 OTHERS. HE'S ALSO A CONSTITUENT OF MINE AND WITH WHOM I HAD
9 MANY DEALINGS, ESPECIALLY AS A CITY COUNCILMAN. HE WAS A
10 GENTLEMAN AND WONDERFUL HUMAN BEING. ONE LAST FACT ABOUT LOU
11 BLAU WAS THAT HE WAS A STAUNCH DEMOCRAT. HE WAS PARTICULARLY
12 PROUD THAT HE MADE PRESIDENT NIXON'S WHITE HOUSE ENEMIES LIST.
13 HARD TO KNOW THAT HE WAS AN ENEMY OF ANYBODY, TO BE HONEST
14 WITH YOU. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE EVELYNE, DAUGHTERS
15 GABRIELLE KRAFT AND LOUISE TUCKER AND A SON JIMMIE WOOD, AND
16 FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, AARON MARKING, LESLIE FRANCIS, HANNAH AND
17 RACHAEL WOOD. THAT'S ALL I HAVE. I DON'T THINK I WAS HOLDING
18 ANYTHING.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO ORDERED. I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN
21 MEMORY OF MR. RAY ALPERT, A LONGTIME LONG BEACH RESIDENT AND
22 VERY ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY NOT ONLY IN LONG
23 BEACH BUT THE SURROUNDING AREA AND A STRONG ADVOCATE. PASSED
24 AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 87. HE MOVED TO LONG BEACH IN THE
25 EARLY 60S WITH HIS WIFE BARBARA. THEIR BUSINESS, ALPERT AND

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1 ALPERT IRON AND METAL, ALLOWED THEM TO PLAY AN INCREDIBLE HUGE
2 ROLE IN LOCAL PHILANTHROPY. THEY CONTRIBUTED TO MANY
3 EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL PROGRAMS INCLUDING THE ALPERT JEWISH
4 COMMUNITY CENTER WHICH IS NAMED IN THEIR HONOR, THE JEWISH
5 STUDIES AT CAL STATE LONG BEACH TO ONLY NAME A FEW. HE WAS A
6 GREAT FRIEND TO THE COMMUNITY AND WILL BE MISSED BY MANY. HE'S
7 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 61 YEARS, BARBARA, THREE CHILDREN,
8 ALAN, TERI, NANCY AND SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN. SO ORDERED. OKAY,
9 AND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WOULD LIKE TO GET ON THAT. I HELD
10 ITEM NO. 38. I'D JUST LIKE STAFF THAT'S INVOLVED ON ITEM 38 TO
11 COME FORWARD, PLEASE. ANYONE FROM BEACHES AND HARBORS?

12

13 **GARY JONES:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THERE YOU ARE.

16

17 **GARY JONES:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. GARY JONES WITH THE
18 DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS A VERY SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF
21 MONEY. I KNOW WE GOT OUR LITTLE THING GOING ON WITH THE WATER
22 QUALITY CONTROL BOARD. IT'S A VERY SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF MONEY
23 TO BE GOING INTO FIXES INSTEAD OF STUDIES. AND I UNDERSTAND
24 THIS IS JUST AN ESTIMATE, CORRECT?

25

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1 **GARY JONES:** IT IS AN ESTIMATE, CORRECT. FOR A FIVE-YEAR
2 PERIOD.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** FOR OVER A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD.

5

6 **GARY JONES:** CORRECT.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CAN YOU GIVE US AN IDEA WHAT DRIVES THE
9 COST OF SIGNIFICANT DOLLARS LIKE THAT FOR A STUDY LIKE THIS?

10

11 **GARY JONES:** THE FOUR MILLION TOTAL OVER THE FIVE YEARS, WE
12 ESTIMATE IT BASED UPON THE NUMBER OF STUDIES THAT WILL BE
13 REQUIRED FOR STUDIES, THE ABILITY TO HIRE A CONSULTANT TO
14 ASSIST OVERSEEING THE T.M.D.L. EFFORT IN MARINA DEL REY,
15 OUTREACH ACTIVITIES WITH BOATERS AND STAKEHOLDERS IN THE
16 COMMUNITY, AND ALSO THE ASSISTANCE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
17 WORKS STAFF AND ALSO COUNTY COUNSEL AND OUTSIDE COUNSEL OVER
18 THAT FIVE-YEAR PERIOD.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND WHAT PIECE OF THE DOLLARS ARE FOR
21 LAWYERS? WHY WOULD WE NEED LAWYERS? THIS IS TO SHOW GOOD FAITH
22 WITH THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, RIGHT?

23

24 **GARY JONES:** IT IS TO SHOW GOOD FAITH BUT ALSO TO PREPARE AND
25 START STUDIES THAT ARE REQUIRED REGARDLESS OF WHAT HAPPENS TO

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1 THE T.M.D.L. WITH THE STATE BOARD. SO WE WILL REQUIRE THOSE
2 STUDIES TO AT LEAST--

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT WHY LAWYERS? WHY
5 PAY LAWYERS OUT OF THIS? CAN I GET AN ANSWER TO THAT? WE NEED
6 THE LOBBYIST.

7

8 **JOHN KRATTLI:** WELL AS YOU KNOW, THE T.M.D.L. PROCESS IS A VERY
9 TECHNICAL FIELD AND, FRANKLY, I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT. AND WE
10 HAVE WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO MAKE SURE THAT
11 WE ARE IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WE HAVE T.M.D.L. EXPERTS IN COUNTY
14 COUNSEL AND OTHERS THAT CAN ANALYZE THE RESULTS OF THESE
15 TESTS, IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?

16

17 **JOHN KRATTLI:** WE DON'T DO THE SCIENTIFIC ANALYSIS BUT WE
18 CERTAINLY CLOSELY LOOK AT HOW THE RESULTS ARE TRACKING THE
19 LEGAL REQUIREMENTS.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, I JUST HOPE YOU'RE ON THE HIGH
22 SIDE AND HAVE OVERESTIMATED. THAT'S A VERY SIGNIFICANT-- I
23 MEAN, DO YOU THINK WE'LL GET CREDIT FROM THE WATER QUALITY
24 CONTROL BOARD FOR THIS EFFORT?

25

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1 **GARY JONES:** WE CERTAINLY HOPE THAT THEY WILL SEE THE
2 SIGNIFICANT STEPS THAT WE ARE PRESENTING TO YOU AND TO THE
3 BOARD.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE WORKED VERY HARD IN THE SPIRIT OF
6 COOPERATION AND WE DIDN'T GET THAT IN RETURN.

7

8 **GARY JONES:** THAT'S CORRECT.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WITH THAT, I'LL MOVE THE ITEM.
11 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
12 ORDERED. THANK YOU.

13

14 **GARY JONES:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I BELIEVE THAT WAS THE ONLY ITEM.
17 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHAIR, MEMBERS, I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE WE
20 ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF SCOTT STUDENMUND, RESIDENT OF
21 PASADENA, GRADUATE OF FLINTRIDGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL, PASSED
22 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 24, KILLED IN ACTION IN AFGHANISTAN. HE WAS
23 A MEMBER OF THE SPECIAL FORCES GREEN BERET AND UNITED STATES
24 ARMY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS AND HIS SISTER. SISTER
25 ANGELA BOVO, 94-YEAR-OLD MEMBER OF THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH

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1 OF CARONDELET, THE ORDER THAT MY AUNT WAS A MEMBER OF, PASSED
2 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 94. AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY NUMEROUS NIECES
3 AND NEPHEWS. FORMER MAYOR FRED HANN OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. HE
4 SERVED WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR 33
5 YEARS, VOLUNTEERED AS ONE OF THE ORIGINAL 8 PARAMEDICS IN THE
6 ANTELOPE VALLEY. SERVED ON THE CITY COUNCIL OF LANCASTER, AND
7 THREE TERMS IN THAT POSITION, INCLUDING TWO YEARS AS THE
8 MAYOR. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE BETTY AND SIX CHILDREN. FRED
9 WAS ALSO INVOLVED IN THE ROUTE 66 COMMITTEE AND A REAL GOOD
10 MAN, REAL FRIENDLY, GOOD ROLE MODEL, GOOD LEADER IN THE
11 VALLEY. THE HONORABLE JUSTICE ALICEMARIE HUBER STOTLER PASSED
12 AWAY ON JUNE 9TH. SHE WAS A GRADUATE OF U.S.C. SCHOOL OF LAW
13 AND BECAME THE FIRST FEMALE DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND AN
14 ORANGE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE AND SERVED AS CHIEF JUDGE
15 OF THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA. IN 1984 SHE WAS
16 APPOINTED BY PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN AS THE UNITED STATES
17 DISTRICT COURT JUDGE. AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND
18 SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE JAMES ALLEN STOTLER. COLONEL ALAN COMPTON
19 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 68. SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY
20 MEDICAL CORPS, PSYCHIATRIST FOR 15-- LATER SERVED AS A
21 PSYCHIATRIST FOR 15 YEARS AT VICTORVILLE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
22 CLINIC AND THE VETERANS AFFAIRS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CLINIC IN
23 SANTA ROSA. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND HIS BROTHER AND TWO
24 CHILDREN. CLIFFORD "C.J." JOHN NORDSTROM, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF
25 THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 95. HE

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1 WAS A MEMBER OF THE MODEL "T" CLUB IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
2 AND THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY ANTIQUE AUTO CLUB. HE IS SURVIVED
3 BY HIS TWO DAUGHTERS, LINDA AND VICKY. DAVID PYBURN, SANTA
4 CLARITA VALLEY, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 52. SERVED IN THE
5 UNITED STATES ARMY. AND HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES
6 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE WAS A DEPUTY SHERIFF. SURVIVED
7 BY HIS WIFE, MOTHER AND HIS DAUGHTER AND SISTER. DARLENE
8 DRAGICA TODOROVICH OF WEST COVINA PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 26TH AND
9 SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND NICKOLA, GORDONNA, HIS DAUGHTER
10 AND SON ALEX AND BROTHER DRAGOSLAV. AND JAMES MICHAEL BARRETT,
11 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80. SERVED WITH THE UNITED STATES
12 ARMY IN THE KOREAN WAR, HE WAS AN ARMY MEDIC. HE PLAYED
13 PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL FOR FIVE YEARS AND SERVED AS A MEMBER OF
14 THE L.A. CITY FIREFIGHTER FOR 30 YEARS AND REAL ESTATE AGENT
15 IN TOLUCA LAKE. ALSO HE WAS PRESIDENT OF THE CHAMBER OF
16 COMMERCE. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY WIFE MARGARET AND FOUR
17 CHILDREN, AND HE WAS QUITE ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY. THOSE ARE
18 MY ADJOURNMENTS.

19
20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO BE THE ORDER. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO
21 YOU HAVE SOME ADJOURNMENTS?

22
23 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ALL RIGHT. WE DO HAVE ONE ITEM LEFT
2 ON THE AGENDA, ITEM NO. 25. IT WAS HELD BY MEMBERS OF THE
3 PUBLIC. NICK, RICK. ALL RIGHT. LET'S BEGIN WITH KEVIN
4 STAPLETON AND KATHY FORD.

5

6 **KEVIN STAPLETON:** GOOD MORNING MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
7 BOARD. KEVIN STAPLETON. I AM THE CITY COUNCILMAN FOR THE CITY
8 OF COVINA. AND I AM CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF L.A. WORKS. AS
9 YOU MAY KNOW, L.A. WORKS HAS BEEN AROUND FOR ABOUT 38 YEARS.
10 WE SERVICE GENERALLY 67,000 RESIDENTS OF THE SAN GABRIEL
11 VALLEY, AND WE HAVE DONE SO FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS AS A PREMIER
12 SERVICE PROVIDER IN THE AREA, EVEN TO THE EXTENT OF OTHER
13 ENTITIES USING OUR MATERIALS, SUCH AS COUNTY, TO CREATE THEIR
14 OWN PLANS. OUR OBJECTION TO ITEM NO. 25-- I SHOULD SAY, BY THE
15 WAY, THE L.A. WORKS IS A J.P.A. CONSISTING OF FOUR PRIMARY
16 CITIES: AZUSA, COVINA, GLENDORA AND WEST COVINA. BUT WE ALSO
17 SERVE DIAMOND BAR, SAN DIMAS, CLAREMONT, LA PUENTE, LA VERNE
18 AND WALNUT. OUR OBJECTION TO NO. 25 ON THE AGENDA THIS MORNING
19 IS THAT WE ARE EXCLUDED, L.A. WORKS IS EXCLUDED FROM ANY
20 FUNDING, AND WE ARE SPECIFICALLY ASKED TO BE TERMINATED IN THE
21 JUNE 17TH LETTER FROM THE YOUTH-- THE IN- SCHOOL YOUTH
22 PROGRAMS AND THE YOUTH MASTER AGREEMENT AND WE WOULD LIKE THE
23 BOARD TO RECONSIDER THAT POSITION, ALLOW US TO CONTINUE TO BE
24 A SERVICE PROVIDER IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY FOR THE RESIDENTS
25 WE SERVE. WE HAVE 40 EMPLOYEES THAT ARE ONGOING THAT HAVE BEEN

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1 WITH US FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. AND WE SERVICE A NUMBER OF
2 EMPLOYERS AND RESIDENTS IN OUR AREA. AND WE BELIEVE THAT
3 ALTHOUGH WE HAD SOME ISSUES WITH EARLIER PROGRAMS THE BOARD
4 TOOK ACTION ON, ON MAY 20TH, THOSE ITEMS HAVE BEEN RESOLVED IN
5 THAT WE HAVE TERMINATED THE PEOPLE WE BELIEVE RESPONSIBLE AND
6 ONE ACTUALLY MOVED ON BEFORE WE HAD THAT OPPORTUNITY AND WE
7 ARE NOW IN THE PROCESS OF SEEKING OUT A NEW C.E.O. AND WE'RE
8 TRYING TO RIGHT THE SHIP. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONSISTS OF
9 ORDINARILY SIX, RIGHT NOW WE HAVE FIVE, CONSISTING OF A
10 REPRESENTATIVE ELECTED OFFICIAL FROM COVINA, AZUSA MAYOR
11 JEROTA, GENE ROBETO FROM THE CITY OF GLENDORA AND MIKE SPENCE
12 FROM THE CITY OF WEST COVINA. I'M MORE THAN HAPPY TO RESPOND
13 TO ANY QUESTIONS THE BOARD MAY HAVE REGARDING OUR REQUEST. I
14 DID TAKE THE LIBERTY OF PREPARING A MODIFIED VERSION OF
15 RECOMMENDATION ON AGENDA ITEM 25. I HAVE 10 COPIES HERE FOR
16 THE USE OF THE BOARD. AND BASICALLY WHAT THAT PROVIDES IS THAT
17 L.A. WORKS BE CONTINUE TO BE INCLUDED AS AN ONGOING SERVICE
18 PROVIDER FOR THE SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC IN THE SAN GABRIEL
19 VALLEY.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. KATHY?

22

23 **KATHY FORD:** I'M SORRY. MY NAME IS KATHY FORD. I'M THE C.O.O.
24 OF L.A. WORKS. AND FORGIVE ME, I'M HEARING IMPAIRED, SO I
25 CAN'T TELL YOU HOW MUCH I APPRECIATE YOUR CAPTIONS, CLOSED

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1 CAPTIONS, BECAUSE THIS IS THE ONLY WAY I CAN HEAR THROUGH
2 CLOSED CAPTIONS. SO WE ARE HERE AS A UNITED GROUP OF CLIENTS,
3 EMPLOYERS AND STAFF TO REQUEST YOUR RECONSIDERATION OF
4 INCLUSION OF THE L.A. WORKS AND THE LIST OF WORKFORCE AGENCIES
5 BEING CONSIDERED FOR TRANSITIONAL WORKFORCE FUNDING UNDER
6 BOARD ITEM NO. 25, ATTACHMENT A. AND THAT YOU NOT CANCEL THE
7 L.A. WORKS WE AT YOUTH CONTRACT. L.A. WORKS HAS PROVIDED
8 EXCEPTIONAL SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY OF THE SAN GABRIEL
9 VALLEY FOR OVER 38 YEARS. AND IF YOU PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY,
10 YOU WILL SEE THE HUGE OUTPOURING OF SENTIMENTS FROM GRATEFUL
11 CLIENTS WITH PERSONAL STORIES OF HOW L.A. WORKS HAS CHANGED
12 THEIR LIVES. THESE STORIES ARE-- ALSO TELL OF THE TRUE
13 COMMITMENT AND THE HARD WORK OF THE DEDICATED STAFF AT L.A.
14 WORKS. WHETHER IT'S JOB TRAINING AND JOB PLACEMENTS, SERVING
15 OVER 500 INDIVIDUALS EACH YEAR, OR FILLING EMPLOYER JOB
16 VACANCIES SERVING OVER 300 EMPLOYERS A YEAR, OR HELPING OUR
17 YOUTH FIND LOCAL JOBS OVER 400 YOUTHS SERVED PER YEAR, OR
18 HOUSING REHABILITATION AND ENERGY CONSERVATION SERVING OVER
19 600 CLIENTS PER YEAR. THE COMMUNITY UTILIZING AND COUNTING ON
20 L.A. WORKS' SERVICES NUMBERS THE THOUSANDS. SINCE OUR ORIGINAL
21 ORGANIZATION OF LOCAL CITIES BACK IN 1976 AS A JOINT POWERS
22 AGENCY. WE HAVE SERVED AND CONTINUE TO MAKE A COMMITMENT TO
23 SERVE VETERANS, DISABLED, AT-RISK YOUTH, FOSTER YOUTH,
24 SENIORS, MONOLINGUAL FAMILIES, EMPLOYERS, ECONOMICALLY
25 DISADVANTAGED, LONG-TERM UNEMPLOYED, EX OFFENDERS AND THOSE

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1 ARE JUST A FEW ON THE LIST OF HARD-TO-SERVE THAT L.A. WORKS
2 PRIDES ITSELF IN CONDUCTING OUTREACH ACTIVITIES FOR OVER 6,000
3 CLIENTS PER YEAR. THAT SAID, I WANT YOU TO KNOW L.A. WORKS IS
4 TAKING THE RESULTS OF THE RECENT AUDIT VERY SERIOUSLY. WE
5 UNDERSTAND THAT THIS WAS A HUGE ISSUE, AND WHILE THE SPAN OF
6 THE O.J.T. DATA MINING PILOT PROJECT RESULTS WAS SIX YEARS, WE
7 DID MAKE IMMEDIATE MANAGEMENT AND PERSONNEL CHANGES AS WELL AS
8 CORRECTIONS IN THE W.I.A. PROGRAM OPERATIONS TO ENSURE THAT WE
9 WILL NOT HAVE ANOTHER ISSUE WITH ELIGIBILITY ERRORS. WHAT WE
10 NEED FROM THE BOARD IS TIME TO RESOLVE THE AUDIT DISALLOWANCE
11 THROUGH A REPAYMENT PLAN. PLEASE ALLOW L.A. WORKS THE
12 OPPORTUNITY TO RIGHT THE WRONG THROUGH TRANSITIONAL W.I.A.
13 FUNDING, BOTH THE ADULT DISLOCATED PROGRAM AND CONTINUING OUR
14 YOUTH CONTRACT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] (GAVEL). WE DON'T
17 ALLOW APPLAUSE BUT FEEL FREE TO BE SEATED. I'M GOING TO ASK--
18 I'D LIKE CYNTHIA BANKS AND JOHN NAIMO, IF THEY'D COME FORWARD.
19 THANK YOU. IF WE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, WE'LL CALL YOU BACK. I
20 THINK THE ISSUE HERE IS NOT THE HISTORY OF L.A. WORKS, THE
21 ISSUE WAS THE SIGNIFICANT ISSUES THAT WE HAD TO DEAL WITH AS
22 IT RELATES TO THE AUDIT, AND THEY WERE VERY, VERY SIGNIFICANT.
23 I ASKED SOME QUESTIONS AND I KNOW SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAS
24 SOME QUESTIONS AND MAYBE OTHERS. FIRST OF ALL, WAS L.A. WORKS
25 AFFORDED DUE PROCESS?

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2 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** YES. THIS IS CYNTHIA BANKS, DIRECTOR OF THE
3 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES. YES, THEY WERE
4 GIVEN DUE PROCESS. THE REVIEW OF THE O.J.T. CONTRACT BEGAN IN
5 OCTOBER OF 2013. THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HAS WORKED WITH THEM.
6 THEY HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE FINDINGS. AND THEN
7 ULTIMATELY ACCEPTED THE FINDINGS THROUGH THAT PROCESS.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CAN YOU OR SOMEONE EXPLAINED
10 SPECIFICALLY WHY THEIR COSTS WERE DISALLOWED?

11

12 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** ARLENE, DO YOU WANT TO DO THAT.

13

14 **ARLENE BARRERA :** SURE. ARLENE BARRERA, ASSISTANT AUDITOR-
15 CONTROLLER. L.A. WORKS ADMINISTERED THE ON-THE-JOB TRAINING
16 PROGRAM IN A BACKWARD MOTION. THEY WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR
17 IDENTIFYING PARTICIPANTS WHO WERE ELIGIBLE FOR ON-THE-JOB
18 TRAINING AND THEN FINDING THEM, MATCHING THEM WITH AN EMPLOYER
19 WHO COULD PROVIDE THEM THE SKILLS SO THEY COULD EVENTUALLY
20 MAKE A LIVING WAGE. IN THE CASE OF OUR AUDIT, WE DETERMINED
21 THAT THE PROGRAM WAS WORKING BACKWARDS IN THAT THE HOSPITALS
22 WERE IDENTIFYING POTENTIAL CANDIDATES TO HIRE AS NURSES AND
23 THEN AFTER THE FACT THEY WOULD NOTIFY L.A. WORKS THAT THEY
24 FOUND PEOPLE WHO COULD POTENTIALLY BE ENROLLED IN ON-THE-JOB
25 TRAINING.

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1

2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. FINISH THE STORY. SO THAT RESULTED
3 IN WHAT?

4

5 **ARLENE BARRERA:** THAT RESULTED IN THESE PARTICIPANTS WERE NOT
6 ELIGIBLE FOR ON-THE-JOB TRAINING FROM THE BEGINNING.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE GETTING ALL THIS LAST-MINUTE
9 INFORMATION FROM THE CONTRACTOR RELATIVE TO THE TIMING OF WHEN
10 THE NURSES WERE HIRED. DOES THAT HAVE ANY BEARING ON YOUR
11 FINDINGS? OR DID IT HAVE ANY BEARING ON YOUR FINDINGS?

12

13 **ARLENE BARRERA:** THERE WERE SEVERAL REASONS WHY THESE
14 PARTICIPANTS WERE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR ON-THE-JOB TRAINING.
15 THERE'S OTHER AVENUES THAT L.A. WORKS SHOULD HAVE EMPLOYED IN
16 ORDER TO TRY TO FIND THEM EMPLOYMENT BEFORE REGISTERING THEM
17 FOR ON THE JOB TRAINING.

18

19 **JOHN NAIMO:** SUPERVISOR? JOHN NAIMO, ACTING AUDITOR-CONTROLLER,
20 I WOULD JUST LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT WE ISSUED A DRAFT WITH OUR
21 FINDINGS BACK IN JANUARY. THE CONTRACTOR SENT US A WRITTEN
22 DISAGREEMENT. WE SENT ADDITIONAL RESOURCES BACK OUT TO THE
23 CONTRACTOR AND WORKED WITH THEM AND CONCLUDED MORE RECENTLY
24 THAT THESE FINDINGS WERE LEGITIMATE AND THE CONTRACTOR IN

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1 WRITING AGREED TO THEM. SO WE BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE GIVEN THEM
2 A DUE PROCESS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WOULD THERE BE A LAPSE IN SERVICE IN THE
5 CITIES WHERE L.A. WORKS SERVES? AND WHAT WOULD BE A PLAN TO
6 ACCOUNT FOR THAT?

7

8 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** NO, WE DO NOT ANTICIPATE THAT THERE WILL BE A
9 LAPSE IN SERVICE. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF CONTRACTORS THAT WILL BE
10 ABLE TO SERVE THE AREAS THAT L.A. WORKS CURRENTLY SERVES. WE
11 WILL ALSO BE PROCURING FOR A NEW CLIENT CONTRACTOR TO SERVE
12 THAT AREA IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO THE AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT'S BEEN
15 DISALLOWED REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT WE COLLECT IT OR HOW
16 WE COLLECT IT, THE COUNTY'S STILL ON THE HOOK TO PAY THE
17 STATE; IS THAT CORRECT?

18

19 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THAT IS CORRECT.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I ALSO UNDERSTAND L.A. WORKS RECOMMENDED
22 TO BE PLACED IN THE CARD. REVIEWING THAT CRITERION AND IT
23 APPEARS THE CONTRACTOR CAN BE PLACED IN CARD EVEN IF THEY MAKE
24 EFFORTS TO REMEDY WHATEVER ERRORS THEY MADE, BE IT DISALLOWED

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1 COSTS OR SOMETHING ELSE, IF THE NONCOMPLIANCE WAS
2 EXTRAORDINARILY SIGNIFICANT; IS THAT CORRECT?

3

4 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** YES. YES.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THAT SOMETHING WE USUALLY DO? EVEN IF
7 THERE'S AN EFFORT TO CORRECT THE SITUATION, AND TO PLACE AN
8 ENTITY IN CARD?

9

10 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** WE DO PLACE CONTRACTORS IN CARD WHEN THERE HAS
11 BEEN A SIGNIFICANCE OF DISALLOWED COSTS OR CONTRACTOR
12 ADMINISTRATIVE ERROR.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO, I MEAN, THE LANGUAGE ITSELF REALLY
15 APPEARS TO BE VERY GENERAL. SO I GUESS THE QUESTION IS: WHOSE
16 DEFINITION OF EXTRAORDINARILY SIGNIFICANT ARE WE GOING BY?

17

18 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** WELL, FOR MY DEPARTMENT, WE HAVE DEEMED THIS
19 AMOUNT, \$858,000 TO BE SIGNIFICANT. IT IS THE LARGEST AMOUNT
20 OF DISALLOWED COSTS WE HAVE EXPERIENCED FOR ONE CONTRACTOR.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT.

23

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY WASN'T THE JOB TRAINING PROGRAM AUDITED
2 IN DETAIL EARLIER IN ORDER THAT THIS SHOULD BE RESOLVED BEFORE
3 THE DISALLOWED COSTS INCREASED?

4

5 **JOHN NAIMO:** SUPERVISORS, IN FACT THERE WERE AUDITS OF L.A.
6 WORKS EARLIER, AS YOU ALLUDE TO. THEY ARE DONE ON A SAMPLE
7 BASIS. THESE ISSUES DID NOT SHOW UP IN THOSE AUDITS. HOWEVER,
8 AUDIT TECHNIQUES EVOLVE. AND WHEN WE LEARNED LAST YEAR THAT
9 SIGNIFICANT AMOUNTS OF ON-THE-JOB TRAINING MONEY WERE GOING TO
10 TWO SUBCONTRACTORS, WE DETERMINED THAT IT WAS NECESSARY FOR US
11 TO LOOK INTO THAT FURTHER. AND THAT'S WHAT RESULTED IN THE
12 FINDINGS THAT ARE BEFORE YOU.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** COULD YOU CLARIFY WHAT THE MAXIMUM HOURLY
15 WAGE FOR THE ON-THE-JOB TRAINING PROGRAM IS?

16

17 **ARLENE BARRERA:** THE FEDERAL REGULATIONS DON'T DEFINE A MAXIMUM
18 AMOUNT. RATHER, THEY STATE THAT THE AGENCY CAN BE REIMBURSED
19 UP TO 50 PERCENT OF THE SALARY PAID TO THE EMPLOYEE. BUT
20 THERE'S NO MAXIMUM HOURLY RATE ELIGIBLE UNDER THE PROGRAM.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ISSUE OF THOSE WHO WOULD BE PAID \$11 PLUS
23 AN HOUR WERE RECEIVING \$30 PLUS AN HOUR. WHAT WAS THAT ISSUE
24 ABOUT?

25

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1 **ARLENE BARRERA:** WELL, THE ISSUE IS IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR
2 ON-THE-JOB TRAINING, A PERSON SHOULD BE MAKING LESS THAN
3 \$11.84, WHICH IS THE COUNTY LIVING-WAGE AMOUNT. SO WE'RE
4 TRYING TO FOCUS ATTENTION ON FINDING WORK FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE
5 MAKING LOW INCOMES. IN THIS CASE, THE NURSES WERE ALL BEING
6 PAID \$30 AN HOUR.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THE \$11 PLUS WAS NOT THE CEILING; IT WAS
9 THE FLOOR, WAS IT NOT?

10

11 **ARELENE BARRERA:** WELL, THE FOCUS OF THE ON-THE-JOB TRAINING IS
12 TO FIND LOW INCOME PEOPLE JOBS. SO THE 11.84 IS A TARGET
13 AMOUNT. BUT IF THERE WAS A JOB OFFERED TO THEM FOR \$15 AN
14 HOUR, THEY COULD HAVE QUALIFIED. AS LONG AS THEY CAME IN
15 MAKING LESS THAN \$11.84 WHEN THEY WALKED INTO L.A. WORKS.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE \$11 FIGURE IS NOT A CEILING?

18

19 **ARLENE BARRERA:** IT'S NOT A CEILING, NO.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT WHAT IS A CEILING, THEN?

22

23 **ARLENE BARRERA:** THERE IS NO HOURLY CEILING ESTABLISHED.

24

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THERE IS NO HOURLY CEILING, SO WOULD NOT THE
2 AGENCY THEN BE NOT OUT OF COMPLIANCE?

3

4 **ARLENE BARRERA:** AS FAR AS WE CAN TELL, THESE PEOPLE WERE
5 EMPLOYED BY THE HOSPITALS EARNING THE \$30 AN HOUR, WHICH
6 EXCEEDS THE \$11.84 MINIMUM.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEN IF THERE'S AN OPTION TO KEEP L.A. WORKS
9 IN THEIR EXISTING CONTRACTS, HOW WOULD THEY BE ABLE TO REPAY
10 THEIR \$850,000 TO THE TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR?

11

12 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** SUPERVISOR, WITH DISALLOWED FEDERAL DOLLARS,
13 BECAUSE THESE ARE ACTUALLY FEDERAL DOLLARS THAT HAVE BEEN
14 DISALLOWED, WE DO NOT HAVE THE OPTION TO REPAY FEDERAL DOLLARS
15 WITH FEDERAL DOLLARS. SO KEEPING THE CONTRACTS WOULD NOT ALLOW
16 THEM TO REPAY THE DISALLOWED COSTS.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO IF L.A. WORKS WAS FORCED TO CLOSE ITS
19 DOORS, HOW WOULD THE COUNTY RECOUP ITS \$850,000?

20

21 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THE COUNTY WOULD WORK WITH THEM TO DETERMINE
22 WHAT ASSETS ARE CURRENTLY PART OF THE J.P.A. AND THEN MOVE
23 FORWARD TO COLLECT ON THE DEBT.

24

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT IS THE HISTORY OF L.A. WORKS WITH
2 THE OTHER CONTRACTS THAT THEY HAVE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY,
3 AREAS THAT THEY'RE RESPONSIBLE FOR?

4

5 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** I'M NOT SURE ABOUT THAT. I DON'T KNOW.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT YOUR KNOWLEDGE IT WAS ONLY ONE CONTRACT
8 THERE WAS A PROBLEM WITH?

9

10 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** WITH OUR DEPARTMENT?

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

13

14 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THEY HAVE MET THE PERFORMANCE MEASURES ON THE
15 OTHER CONTRACTS THAT THEY HAVE WITH US, YES.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HAS FOUND NO OTHER
18 DISCREPANCIES IN THE OTHER CONTRACTS THAT THEY HAVE?

19

20 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** I THINK THEY WERE MINIMAL.

21

22 **JOHN NAIMO:** WE RECENTLY REVIEWED THE SHERIFF'S CONTRACT AT
23 YOUR BOARD'S DIRECTION, AND WE DID FIND APPROXIMATELY \$100,000
24 OF ISSUES WITH THAT CONTRACT.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT WERE THOSE ISSUES?

2

3 **ARLENE BARRERA:** THEY REPORTED VACATION TIME BEING PAID TO
4 EMPLOYEES, AND THAT TIME HAD NOT ACCRUED AT THE TIME THE
5 CONTRACT WITH THE SHERIFF WAS ENTERED INTO. SO BASICALLY
6 PEOPLE HAD EARNED VACATION BEFORE THEIR AGREEMENT WITH THE
7 SHERIFF. AND THEN WITH THE AGREEMENT WITH THE SHERIFF, THEIR
8 TIME WAS CHARGED TO THE SHERIFF CONTRACT.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND NOW THEY HAVE TO REPAY THOSE DOLLARS?

11

12 **ARLENE BARRERA:** THEY'VE OFFSET SOME INVOICES TO THE SHERIFF TO
13 REPAY THOSE AMOUNTS.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THOSE ARE BEING PAID NOW?

16

17 **ARLENE BARRERA:** YES.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS FOR MR. STAPLETON.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, AGAIN, IF YOU LOOK AT THIS
24 CONTRACT, THIS IS NOT THE FIRST CONTRACT. THIS IS THE SECOND
25 CONTRACT. THE OTHER CONTRACT WAS WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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1 IN WHICH THERE WERE OVERBILLINGS OF \$133,000. THIS ONE IS
2 \$858,000. SO YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT ALMOST A MILLION DOLLARS
3 IN TWO CONTRACTS. AND I WOULD AGREE WITH THE DEPARTMENT
4 RECOMMENDATION TO TERMINATE THESE CONTRACTS. I KNOW THERE ARE
5 ERRORS IN BILLING, AND EVERYBODY HAS THEM. BUT A MILLION
6 DOLLARS IN OVERBILLING IS REALLY QUITE SUBSTANTIAL. AND OF
7 COURSE L.A. WORKS DID KNOW ABOUT THIS FOR WELL ALMOST OVER A
8 YEAR. THE THING IS THAT WHAT WE NEED TO DO IS PROVIDE
9 ASSURANCES TO THE CLIENTS THAT THEY ARE GOING TO BE SERVICES
10 OUT THERE. AND WE HAVE BEEN ASKING THE DEPARTMENT, AND THEY
11 HAVE ASSURED US THAT THEY'RE GOING TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE
12 SEAMLESS SERVICES OUT THERE. SO THE CLIENTS ARE GOING TO
13 CONTINUE TO GET THE JOB TRAINING MONEY THAT THEY NEED TO DO.
14 NOW ALL OF US BELIEVE WHEN YOU ARE A LOW INCOME PERSON, AND
15 YOU HAVE THESE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS, PARTICULARLY THE FEDERAL
16 GOVERNMENT WORKS HARD AT TRYING TO BRING THESE CONTRACTS IN
17 AND PROVIDE THEM TO PEOPLE WHO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY. WHEN YOU
18 HAVE A CONTRACT LIKE THIS WORKING WITH SUBCONTRACTORS TAKING
19 ADVANTAGE OF THIS PROGRAM, IT IS REALLY DENYING PEOPLE OF LOW
20 INCOME MEANS TO REALLY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS KIND OF PROGRAM.
21 THEY WERE MISAPPROPRIATING AND MISUSING IT. NOW AGAIN WHEN WE
22 DECIDED ON THE CHICANA SERVICE ACTION CENTER WHICH HAD
23 PROGRAMS AND SERVICES TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS, THE
24 AUDITOR AT THAT TIME IDENTIFIED LESS THAN \$200,000 IN, AGAIN,
25 OVERBILLING OR THE FACT THAT THEY WERE INELIGIBLE AT THAT

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1 TIME, BECAUSE THEY WEREN'T IN THE RIGHT ZIP CODE. SO IT WASN'T
2 EVEN THAT KIND OF A VIOLATION, THEY WERE IN COLLUSION WITH
3 ANYONE ELSE. IF THIS BOARD NOT ONLY RECOMMENDED AND SET THE
4 STANDARD AT THAT TIME NOT TO RENEW THOSE CONTRACTS, THEY EVEN
5 WENT FURTHER AND NOT ALLOW THE CHICANA SERVICE ACTION CENTER
6 CONTRACT WITH THE C.S.S. DEPARTMENT THAT HAD NO ISSUES
7 WHATSOEVER, BUT THEY ALLOWED IT TO LAPSE. SO IF WE REFUSE TO
8 EXTEND A CONTRACT TO THE CHICANA SERVICE ACTION CENTER, AS WE
9 DID FOR A LOT LESS THAN THIS AMOUNT IS, AND WE DIDN'T EVEN
10 ALLOW THEM TO CONTINUE TO PURSUE A CONTRACT WHERE THERE WERE
11 NO ISSUES, THIS BOARD HAS TO FOLLOW ITS SAME STANDARD. I KNOW
12 IT'S TOUGH AND IT'S DIFFICULT. BUT WHEN YOU FOLLOW THE AUDIT
13 IN THIS PARTICULAR THING, YOU'RE LOOKING AT SOMEONE. AND, YOU
14 KNOW, AT THE OTHER SIDE OF IT, AS WELL, THE CONTRACTOR WAS
15 TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THIS COUNTY SERVICE. SOMEBODY WAS WORKING
16 TOGETHER. THIS IS NOT INTENDED TO BE SUBSIDIZING HOSPITALS OR
17 CLINICS OR ANYONE ELSE TO PAY THE NURSES WHAT ARE
18 COMPETITIVELY PAID ALMOST \$30. AND THAT'S WHAT WENT ON HERE.
19 AND IT'S INAPPROPRIATE. SO CONSEQUENTLY WE DETERMINED THAT THE
20 SHERIFF'S CONTRACT WAS INAPPROPRIATE. WE NEEDED TO CONTINUE TO
21 PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES AND WERE GOING TO DO SO. WE NEED TO
22 ASSURE THE CITIES AND THE CLIENTS AS WELL IN THE SAN GABRIEL
23 VALLEY THAT WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES.
24 THEY JUST CANNOT BE DONE BY THIS CONTRACTOR. AND SO IT'S VERY
25 UNFORTUNATE. SO I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT WE FOLLOW THE

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1 DEPARTMENT'S DIRECTIVE AND THAT IS IN THEIR RECOMMENDATION
2 THAT WE TERMINATE FOR CONVENIENCE THE L.A. WORKS CONTRACT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, OKAY. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

5 ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE-- MOSTLY I HAVE SEEN YOUR SPECIAL NOTES

6 THAT YOU ARE IN OPPOSITION TO THE RECOMMENDATION. SO I'M GOING

7 TO CALL YOU IN GROUPS OF FOUR IF YOU WILL COME FORWARD. YOU'LL

8 EACH GET A MINUTE. BECAUSE YOU'RE ALL-- AND THEN MR.

9 STAPLETON, I WOULD ASK THAT YOU BE AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS

10 FROM MR. ANTONOVICH AFTER THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY? FIRST OF ALL,

11 BENJAMIN BRUS, JANICE HARTE, SARAH WATSON, JULIET SEBER, WILL

12 BE THE FIRST FOUR. IF THESE FOLKS WOULD MOVE TO THE FRONT ROW,

13 PLEASE, CHRISTOPHER ROUSE, MAUREEN LYNCH, NOAH SAEEDY, THOMAS

14 WELTS, WILL BE THE SECOND GROUP FORWARD. JUST FEEL FREE,

15 ANYONE, TO BEGIN, NOT NECESSARILY IN THE ORDER YOU WERE

16 CALLED. WHEN YOU SIT DOWN, JUST IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE

17 RECORD AND THEN BEGIN YOUR TESTIMONY. YOU'LL HAVE A MINUTE.

18 THANK YOU.

19

20 **JANICE HARTE:** MY NAME IS JANICE HARTE AND I LIVE IN WEST

21 COVINA AND I AM A CURRENT CLIENT OF L.A. WORKS. I JUST WANT TO

22 READ REAL QUICK A SHORT LITTLE LETTER I SENT TO THEM. I WON'T

23 READ IT ALL. AS PART OF E.D.D. REQUIREMENTS, I HAD TO ATTEND

24 AN ORIENTATION CLASS AT L.A. WORKS. I HAVE SINCE TAKEN

25 PRACTICALLY EVERYTHING THEY'VE HAD TO OFFER. IT WAS AMAZING

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1 HOW MUCH I DID NOT KNOW AND HOW MUCH I HAVE LEARNED. MICROSOFT
2 OFFICE, LINKEDIN, JOB FAIRS, INTERVIEWING TECHNIQUES, HOW TO
3 CREATE AN EFFECTIVE RESUME. I UTILIZED THEIR EMBEDDED E.D.D.
4 FOLKS ON QUESTIONS I HAD WITH MY CLAIM. THIS WAS JUST TO NAME
5 A FEW OF THE WORKSHOPS, CLASSES AND RESOURCES THAT WERE MADE
6 AVAILABLE TO ME UNDER ONE ROOF. THE ONE THING THAT STICKS OUT
7 IN MY MIND IS HOW INCREDIBLE THE STAFF IS AND MAKES EVERYBODY
8 FEEL WELCOME. OBVIOUSLY THE MANAGEMENT DEMANDS ALL THEIR
9 EMPLOYEES PROVIDE THE BEST CUSTOMER SERVICE, AND THEY DO IT
10 AND IT SHOWS WITHIN THE WHOLE STAFF. I WON'T GO ON, BUT I WILL
11 SAY IT IS MY HOPE THAT L.A. WORKS WILL CONTINUE AS THEY ARE A
12 VALUE AND MUCH-NEEDED RESOURCE IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

15

16 **SARAH WATSON:** SARAH WATSON, YOUTH PROGRAM COORDINATOR. I'VE
17 BEEN WITH L.A. WORKS APPROXIMATELY 7-1/2 YEARS, AND I'VE ONLY
18 SEEN INNOVATION, HARD WORK. I SEE CARS COMING INTO THE PARKING
19 LOT WITH STAFF BEFORE THE SUN IS UP AND WELL AFTER THE SUN
20 GOES DOWN. I AGREE THAT YES, THERE IS SOME ISSUES BUT THERE IS
21 NOT ONE STAFF MEMBER WHO DOES NOT GIVE EVERYTHING THEY HAVE TO
22 SERVE OUR COMMUNITY, AND THAT GOES NOT JUST TO THE ENROLLED
23 CLIENTS. BUT THEIR FAMILIES COME IN. WE BRING IN PEOPLE AND
24 SERVICES AND CONNECT THEM BECAUSE THEY NEED US. I DISAGREE
25 THAT THERE WILL NOT BE A GAP IN SERVICE. I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU

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1 CLOSE DOORS ONE DAY THAT'S BEEN THERE FOR 38 YEARS AND EXPECT
2 THAT THERE'S NO GAP. PEOPLE WILL NOT KNOW WHERE TO GO. THE
3 SCHOOLS THAT WE SERVE, I'M AT ABOUT FIVE CONTINUATION SCHOOLS.
4 SOME OF THESE STUDENTS HAVE ANKLE BRACELETS MONITORING. YOU
5 DON'T SEE EVERYBODY IN THOSE SCHOOLS SERVING THOSE STUDENTS,
6 BUT WE ARE THERE. THERE WILL BE A GAP IN SERVICE, I PROMISE
7 YOU THAT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT

10

11 **BENJAMIN BRUS:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
12 BENJAMIN BRUS. I'M THE CLIENT SERVICES MANAGER AT L.A. WORKS.
13 I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK THIS MORNING.
14 YOU KNOW, I COULD SIT HERE AND TALK ABOUT WHAT A GREAT
15 ORGANIZATION L.A. WORKS IS. I'VE BEEN WITH L.A. WORKS FOR FIVE
16 YEARS. IT IS BY FAR THE MOST PROFESSIONAL AND WELL-RUN
17 ORGANIZATION I'VE EVER BEEN A PART OF. BUT I'M NOT GOING TO
18 LET YOU TAKE MY TESTIMONY AS THE EXTENT OF WHAT I'M GOING TO
19 SAY. I'M GOING TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO LISTEN TO WHAT CUSTOMERS
20 SAY ABOUT L.A. WORKS. THERE'S A WEBSITE. MAYBE YOU HEARD ABOUT
21 IT. IT'S CALLED YELP. AND MANY, MANY, MANY PEOPLE VISIT YELP
22 BECAUSE THEY WANT AN ACCURATE PORTRAYAL OF WHAT A COMPANY
23 OFFERS IN TERMS OF ITS PRODUCTS AND SERVICES. YOU MAY HAVE
24 CERTAIN PICTURES OF L.A. WORKS IN YOUR MIND BASED UPON WHAT
25 THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HAS REPORTED, BASED UPON WHAT'S BEEN

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1 PUBLISHED IN THE MEDIA. I UNDERSTAND THAT. WE HAVE MADE
2 MISTAKES. BUT I WANT TO REALLY ENCOURAGE YOU TO LISTEN TO WHAT
3 THE CUSTOMERS ARE GOING TO SAY TO YOU TODAY. THAT IS GOING TO
4 PORTRAY THE MOST ACCURATE REPRESENTATION OF L.A. WORKS THAT
5 YOU'RE GOING TO HEAR. THANKS.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

8

9 **MAUREEN LYNCH:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS MAUREEN LYNCH, I'M A
10 CURRENT 17-YEAR EMPLOYEE WITH L.A. WORKS BUT I'M HERE TO READ
11 A LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM A CLIENT WHO'S USED OUR SERVICES FOR
12 A NUMBER OF YEARS. SHE CLAIMS SHE'S SADDENED AT THE NEWS THAT
13 THERE'S A BOARD MEETING TO DISCUSS THIS ISSUE. SINCE 2011--
14 I'M SPEAKING FOR HER-- I HAVE BEEN LAID OFF THREE TIMES FROM
15 VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS AND I HAVE HAD TO SEEK THE ASSISTANCE OF
16 ALL TYPES OF RESOURCES IN MY EFFORTS TO GAIN EMPLOYMENT,
17 ACCESS TO RESOURCES TO HELP MY JOB SEARCH, AND SERVICES THAT
18 WILL MAKE MY JOB SEARCH EASIER TO MANAGE. L.A. WORKS CONTINUES
19 TO PROVIDE QUALITY SERVICES, PROGRAMS THAT MEET THE NEEDS OF
20 ITS CITIZENS ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO ARE UNEMPLOYED AND
21 ESPECIALLY THOSE WITHOUT ACCESS TO INTERNET AND THOSE
22 TECHNOLOGICALLY CHALLENGED. THE STAFF MEMBERS HAVE BEEN VERY
23 PROFESSIONAL, THE SITE VERY CONVENIENTLY LOCATED, AND THE EASE
24 OF ACCESS TO STAFF, RESOURCES AND THE FACILITIES HAS BEEN
25 EXCELLENT. L.A. WORKS HAS BEEN VERY INSTRUMENTAL IN

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1 EMBELLISHING MOST OF MY SKILLS WITH THE DIFFERENT CLASSES AND
2 WORKSHOPS THAT THEY OFFER. THEY PROVIDE VALUABLE ASSETS,
3 SPECIFICALLY TO THOSE WHO DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO THOSE. AND BY
4 DISCONTINUING THIS TYPE OF FUNDING, IT WILL DECREASE THE
5 AVAILABILITY OF NECESSARY SERVICES AND RESOURCES THAT MANY
6 NEED AND CANNOT AFFORD AND CANNOT ACCESS, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO
7 ARE UNEMPLOYED.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WRAP IT UP, PLEASE.

10

11 **MAUREEN LYNCH:** PLEASE CONSIDER AND THINK ABOUT THE MANY
12 SERVICES THEY PROVIDE TO THE COMMUNITY AND ITS CITIZENS. ON
13 BEHALF OF OUR CITIZENS, I STRONGLY BELIEVE WE NEED THESE MUCH-
14 NEEDED SERVICES AND RESOURCES. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THE NEXT FOUR I'D LIKE TO
17 HAVE MOVE FORWARD, JANEAN GRAY. MARY LOU LEMOINE. LOUIS IBARRA
18 AND ANTOINETTE BARAJAS. NEXT, PLEASE. GO AHEAD.

19

20 **JULIET SEBER:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
21 JULIET SEBER. AS A CLIENT OF L.A. WORKS, I WOULD LIKE TO
22 EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE TO ALL L.A. WORKS STAFF WHO HELPED ME TO
23 CONDUCT MY JOB SEARCH BY PROVIDING EXCELLENT PROFESSIONAL
24 CUSTOMER SERVICE. I INCLUDE MY COMPUTER SKILLS AND MY JOB
25 SEARCH STRATEGY SKILLS BY ATTENDING ALMOST ALL THE WORKS

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1 SHOPS. FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN I CAME FIRST TO L.A. WORKS, I SCORED
2 50 PERCENT IMPROVEMENT TEST FOR MICROSOFT OFFICE, EXCEL. AFTER
3 ATTENDING THE COMPUTER WORKSHOP, I SCORED UP TO 80 PERCENT.
4 ALTHOUGH I FEEL MORE CONFIDENT THAT I CAN SECURE POSITION IN
5 THE NEAR FUTURE, I STILL NEED L.A. WORKS AND THE FRONTLINE
6 STAFF TO ASSIST ME FURTHER IN THE AREAS WHERE I NEED
7 IMPROVEMENTS SUCH AS HOW INTERVIEW LIKE A PROFESSIONAL. IN THE
8 PAST, MY SISTER HAS SECURED A POSITION BY BEING A CLIENT OF
9 L.A. WORKS. I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO RECEIVE SERVICES FROM L.A.
10 WORKS TO SUCCEED IN MY JOB SEARCH AS SO MANY OTHERS HAVE IN
11 THE PAST. THANK YOU SO MUCH. HAVE A BLESSED DAY.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

14

15 **CHRISTOPHER ROUSE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY FIRST NAME'S
16 CHRISTOPHER, LAST NAME ROUSE. I HAVE BEEN A CLIENT OF L.A.
17 WORKS FORCE FOR THREE YEARS AND MY PRESENT EMPLOYER IS A.B.C.
18 NETWORK, PERSONAL CLIENT. I'M A SECURITY OFFICER FOR "JIMMY
19 KIMMEL LIVE" AND I WOULD LIKE TO SAY TODAY L.A. WORK SOURCE IS
20 A GREAT PLACE TO WORK AND TO BE A CLIENT FOR ANYONE THAT
21 DOESN'T HAVE ANY RESOURCE LIKE INTERNET, FAX OR PRINTER. JUST
22 LIKE OTHERS, I CAME TO LOOK FOR EMPLOYMENT, SENDING EMAILS,
23 ATTENDED WORKSHOPS, CLASSES, MOCK INTERVIEWS. DEFINITELY
24 HELPED ME ON SHARP SKILLS WITH EMPLOYERS. AND BASICALLY BEING

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1 GOOD COMMUNITY SERVICE TO OTHERS TO HELP YOU WORK AND
2 EVERYTHING ELSE. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

5

6 **NOAH SAEEDY:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
7 NOAH SAEEDY, AND I AM THE CURRENT COMMANDER OF SQUADRON 64
8 CIVIL AIR PATROL, AS WELL AS A MEMBER OF THE U.S. AIR FORCE
9 LINGUISTICS PROGRAM. MY STORY WHERE I AM TODAY STARTED WITH
10 L.A. WORKS. IN 1999 AS A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT IN A SPECIAL
11 EDUCATION CLASS, WE WERE TOLD CONSTANTLY THAT WE WILL BE IN
12 MENIAL POSITIONS WITH COLLEGE BEING OUT OF OUR REACH. I WAS
13 VERY FORTUNATE TO COME THROUGH L.A. WORKS AND GO THROUGH THEIR
14 PROGRAM AND ENCOURAGED ME TO GO THROUGH COLLEGE. I
15 SUBSEQUENTLY WENT TO U.C.L.A. OBTAINING MY BACHELOR'S DEGREE
16 FROM R.O.T.C., CONTINUED ON AND GOT A MASTER'S DEGREE. TO MY
17 CREDIT AND TO OUR PROGRAM, I HAVE 55 COMMISSIONED OFFICERS IN
18 THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE WHO ARE WHERE I USED TO BE AND
19 WHAT I LEARNED AND THE SERVICES I PROVIDE THE COMMUNITIES WHAT
20 I LEARNED FROM L.A. WORKS AND I REALLY FEEL THAT IT WILL BE A
21 DISADVANTAGE TO OUR COMMUNITY TO LOSE THEM.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT? [APPLAUSE.] PLEASE.

24 NEXT?

25

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1 **THOMAS WELTS:** I'M THOMAS-- I'M SORRY. I'M THOMAS WELTS. I
2 ACTUALLY LIVE IN PASADENA. AND I HAVE BEEN TO MANY, MANY
3 DIFFERENT TYPE OF STATE FACILITIES THAT TRY TO HELP PEOPLE
4 FIND EMPLOYMENT. AND L.A. WORKS, I HAPPENED TO COME ACROSS BY
5 ACCIDENT. AND THEY ACTUALLY TOOK THE TIME TO TAKE A LOOK AT MY
6 QUALIFICATIONS AND MY BACKGROUND, MY EDUCATION AND ACTUALLY
7 EVALUATE WHERE I SHOULD PROBABLY TRY TO FOCUS MY EFFORTS ON
8 TRYING TO FIND A JOB SOME PLACE WITHIN THE BASIN. AND WITHOUT
9 THEIR HELP, I WOULD BE STILL WANDERING OR SORT OF JUST WORKING
10 AROUND THE SYSTEM AND NOT FINDING ANY DIRECTION TO GO. AND I
11 WISH THAT THEIR EFFORTS WOULD STILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
12 CONTINUE HELPING OTHER PEOPLE. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT? PLEASE. NO APPLAUSE. THANKS. NEXT?

15

16 **MARY LOU LEMOINE:** MY NAME IS MARY LOU LEMOINE I AM AN EMPLOYEE
17 OF L.A. WORKS. YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO PARDON MY VOICE. AND
18 I'D LIKE TO LET YOU KNOW REGARDING WHAT L.A. WORKS DID FOR ME.
19 AT A VERY DEVASTATED TIME IN MY LIFE. I'M SORRY. AFTER HAVING
20 BEEN AN EXECUTIVE FOR 40 YEARS, OR A LITTLE MORE, I FOUND
21 MYSELF WITHOUT A JOB BECAUSE THE COMPANY WAS DONE,
22 PARTNERSHIPS WERE OVER. I HAD HELPED RUN A COMPANY AND I HAD A
23 LOT OF EXPERIENCE. I THOUGHT "OH, IT'S GOING TO BE EASY. I CAN
24 GO RIGHT BACK INTO THE WORK FIELD. "BUT TO MY SURPRISE, NO ONE
25 WOULD HIRE ME BECAUSE THEY SAID I WAS TOO OVERQUALIFIED. I

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1 SPENT ONE YEAR LOOKING. AND FINALLY WITH THE GRACE OF GOD, I
2 WAS BROUGHT TO L.A. WORKS WHERE I WAS TREATED WITH KINDNESS,
3 THOUGHTFULNESS AND ENCOURAGED BY THE EMPLOYEES. THE TEAMWORK
4 AT L.A. WORKS HAS BEEN THE BEST. THAT'S IT. THANK YOU. I HAVE
5 MORE--

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO, NO.

8

9 **MARY LOU LEMOINE:** A LOT MORE.

10

11 **JANEAN GRAY:** MY NAME IS JANEAN GRAY. I'M FROM LAVERNE,
12 CALIFORNIA. I CAME TO L.A. WORKS FOR THE SAME VARIOUS THINGS
13 YOU'RE HEARING ALL MORNING. BUT I WANT TO SPEAK TO THE
14 COMPUTER CLASSES THAT THEY HAVE. I'M TELLING YOU NOW, I
15 HAVEN'T HAD TO LOOK FOR A JOB SINCE 1968. THIS IS A VERY
16 DIFFERENT WORLD. ANYBODY WHO THINKS THEY CAN GET A JOB WITHOUT
17 COMPUTER SKILLS TODAY IS AN IDIOT. AND I'M HERE TO TELL YOU
18 THAT NOT ONLY DO THEY GIVE THE VERY BASIC COMPUTER, BUT THEY
19 HAVE TWO CLASSES FOR EACH EXCEL, OUTLOOK, POWERPOINT AND WORD.
20 AND BY THE TIME YOU'RE THROUGH WITH THE SECOND CLASS OF EACH
21 ONE OF THESE, YOU FEEL COMPELLED TO BE ABLE TO GO OUT AND DO
22 JUST AS WELL AS ANYONE ELSE. THE COMPUTER CLASSES THEY GIVE AT
23 L.A. WORKS IS WORTH YOUR \$858,000. I'M TELLING YOU, THIS IS
24 GOING TO PUT PEOPLE BACK TO WORK.

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THE NEXT FOUR, FRANCOIS
2 BACHOURA, CHARLIE BRIAN. JONATHAN QUINTERO. AND DAVID
3 MCELWAIN. NEXT? GO AHEAD. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO, GO AHEAD.

4

5 **HELEN LATSCHA :** HELEN LATSCHA, I'VE BEEN WITH THE PROGRAM FOR
6 ABOUT 13 YEARS. WHEN I WAS 13 YEARS OLD, I DID THE CALWORKS
7 AND W.I.A PROGRAM AS A YOUTH. I LEARNED PHONE ETIQUETTE,
8 ADMINISTRATIVE SKILLS, GREAT WORK ETHICS. ALL THE WHILE I WAS
9 RAISED OFF WELFARE, SECTION 8, ON DRUGS, VIOLENCE, ABUSE LIKE
10 MANY OTHER LOW INCOME FAMILIES. THIS PROVIDED STABILITY FOR
11 ME, A SOLID FOUNDATION IN THE WORKFORCE. AND IT'S MORE THAN
12 JUST WHAT THE ORGANIZATION HAS TO OFFER; IT'S A RELATIONSHIPS
13 THAT WE BUILD WITH STAFF. MY SISTER HAS ALSO BEEN INVOLVED
14 WITH THE YOUTH PROGRAM. SHE HAS GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL. SHE'S
15 NOT A TEEN MOM. SHE'S A COLLEGE STUDENT RIGHT NOW LIVING AN
16 HONEST LIFELIKE I AM. I HAD ANOTHER SISTER WHO DID NOT
17 PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM. SHE LIVES A SIMILAR LIFE OF THAT
18 OF MY PARENTS. I'D LIKE TO THINK THAT, HAD MY OTHER SISTER--
19 I'M ONE OF SEVEN-- HAD BEEN IN THE PROGRAM, HER LIFE WOULD
20 HAVE ENDED MUCH DIFFERENT. I HOPE THAT YOU GUYS WILL
21 RECONSIDER THIS BECAUSE IT'S MORE THAN JUST-- NOT EVEN MORE
22 THAN JUST DO IT. IT'S THE RELATIONSHIPS WE BUILT WITH THE
23 ORGANIZATION AND IT TAKES TIME TO BUILD THAT CONFIDENCE.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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1

2 **LOUIS IBARRA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LOUIS IBARRA. I'M
3 PART OF-- I WAS PART OF THE U.N.M. SUMMER PROGRAM AT L.A.
4 WORKS. I'VE BEEN A PART OF L.A. WORKS FOR FOUR YEARS. WHEN I
5 WAS FIRST INTRODUCED, I WAS IN THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM. I WAS
6 JUST AIMLESSLY GOING THROUGH IT, AIMLESSLY GOING THROUGH HIGH
7 SCHOOL UNTIL I WAS TOLD BY ONE OF MY SOCIAL WORKERS IN THE
8 FOSTER CARE TO GO TO L.A. WORKS. I WENT THERE, MET SARAH
9 WATSON, ONE OF THE BEST PEOPLE I KNOW. SHE GREETED ME WITH A
10 SMILE. I MET MARIO RODRIGUEZ. THEY ENCOURAGED ME TO GET JOBS.
11 BECAUSE OF THEM I'M GOING TO SCHOOL. I'M MAINTAINING A 3.5
12 AVERAGE G.P.A. RIGHT NOW I AM _____ AT CITRUS COLLEGE. I WENT
13 THERE, RECENTLY I JUST CAME BACK TO L.A. WORKS BECAUSE I WAS
14 UNABLE TO FIND WORK, BECAUSE THEY'RE MORE LOOKING FOR WORK
15 EXPERIENCE INSTEAD OF-- THE JOBS, ANYWAYS. AND MARIO I JUST
16 CAME IN THERE. MARIO JUST GREETED ME AND GOT ME PART OF THE
17 BRIDGES PROGRAM WHICH GETS ME, HELPS GET JOBS. SORRY I WENT
18 OVER TIME.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

21

22 **ANTOINETTE BARAJAS:** MY NAME IS ANTOINETTE. I'M A MOTHER OF TWO
23 BOYS, SINGLE MOTHER THAT CAME THROUGH L.A. WORKS THROUGH THE
24 T.S.C., WELFARE TO WORK PROGRAM. AND SINCE I BEEN THERE, THEY
25 GAVE ME THE ENCOURAGEMENT TO GO GET MY RECORD EXPUNGED, TO DO

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1 BETTER FOR ME AND MY CHILDREN, TO GET OFF THE WELFARE TO WORK
2 PROGRAM. THEY'VE HELPED ME THROUGH EVERYTHING. THEY DON'T LOOK
3 AT YOU WRONG. THEY JUST ENCOURAGE YOU. THEY INSPIRE YOU TO DO
4 BETTER FOR YOURSELF AND YOUR CHILDREN AND YOUR FAMILY. YOU
5 KNOW, I CAME WITH NO-- I HAD NO ENCOURAGEMENT FOR MYSELF. IF
6 IT WASN'T FOR THEM TO PUSH ME AND TO MOVE FORWARD IN MY LIFE,
7 NOW I WANT TO DO BETTER FOR MY CHILDREN. I WANT TO GET OFF OF
8 WELFARE AND DO IT BY MYSELF. AND BECAUSE OF THEM, THEY GAVE ME
9 THE INSPIRATION TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT FOR ME AND MY CHILDREN.
10 AND I JUST WANT TO THANK THEM. WITHOUT THEM, I DON'T THINK I
11 WOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO GET MY RECORD EXPUNGED OR GO GET MY
12 DRIVER'S LICENSE AFTER 10 YEARS. BECAUSE OF THEM, THEY GAVE ME
13 THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND INSPIRATION TO DO THAT FOR ME AND MY
14 CHILDREN.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

17

18 **CHARLIE BRYAN:** HELLO, MY NAME IS CHARLIE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
19 TIME. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT L.A. WORKS AS A WHOLE HAS DONE
20 MORE FOR ME, THE COMMUNITY, EVERYBODY JUST ANYBODY. YOU KNOW,
21 I CAME IN OUT OF FOSTER YOUTH, NOT WANTING TO DO ANYTHING,
22 WANTED TO GET WELFARE, THAT'S IT. I DON'T WANT TO DO ANYTHING.
23 BUT THROUGH L.A. WORKS, I'VE REALIZED I CAN DO MORE THAN THAT.
24 NOT ONLY CAN I JUST HELP MYSELF, I CAN ALSO GIVE BACK TO MY
25 COMMUNITY, THE FAMILY THAT I'VE DISTRUSTED. I'VE DONE MORE--

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1 L.A. WORKS HAS DONE MORE FOR ME THAN I COULD POSSIBLY IMAGINE.
2 I KNOW SOME DAY I'M GOING TO DO GREAT THINGS, AND I'M GOING TO
3 TELL MY STORY AND IT'S GOING TO SAY, HEY, IT STARTED RIGHT
4 HERE AT L.A. WORKS. THEY TAKE THIS AWAY, THE PEOPLE THAT
5 HELPED ME GET SOBER, THE PEOPLE THAT SAID, HEY, YOU'RE NOT
6 JUST A CRIMINAL. THE PEOPLE THAT SAID, YOU'RE GOING TO DO
7 SOMETHING GREAT IN YOUR LIFE SOME DAY. AND JUST PERSONALLY,
8 I'D LIKE TO THANK EVERYBODY. MARIO, FRANKIE, MIKE, YOU KNOW,
9 YOU GUYS DO A GREAT SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY. AND THIS SHOULD
10 NOT AFFECT YOU. WE'RE ALL GOING TO DO GREAT THINGS. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

13

14 **JONATHAN QUINTERO:** HELLO, MY NAME IS JONATHAN QUINTERO. AFTER
15 I GOT OUT OF COLLEGE AT THE TIME, THIS WAS WHEN THE ECONOMY
16 PRETTY MUCH WAS NOT DOING SO WELL, AND FINDING JOBS WAS
17 DIFFICULT. I WAS TRYING TO FIND SOFTWARE-RELATED JOBS IN THE
18 INDUSTRY, BUT I WAS COMPETING AGAINST PEOPLE THAT HAD 10, 20,
19 30 YEARS' EXPERIENCE IN THE INDUSTRY, AND I BARELY HAD ANY.
20 AND I COULDN'T FIND ANY WORK. BUT L.A. WORKS FINALLY GAVE ME
21 THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW WHAT I COULD DO. AND IN THAT
22 OPPORTUNITY, I STARTED WORKING FOR A MAN NAMED BRIAN KWAN
23 AUDIO AND VIDEO, CODEC, SOFTWARE CONSULTANTS. AND IN THAT
24 TIME, HE GAVE ME PROJECTS TO DO WORKING WITH BIG COMPANIES
25 LIKE GOOGLE, HITACHI DATA SYSTEMS AND H.P. WORKING ON CLOUD

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1 PROJECTS AND A BUNCH OF DIFFERENT SOFTWARE PROJECTS. AND THESE
2 THINGS THAT WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO HAVE AT MY DISPOSAL IF
3 IT WASN'T FOR L.A. WORKS. AND I'M THANKFUL FOR WHAT THEY DID
4 IN GIVING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SIR, LET ME CALL UP THE NEXT
7 FRONT ROW HERE. MARIO RODRIGUEZ, ADRIANA CECENA, TASHAWN MOORE
8 AND BRENDA GARCIA. GO AHEAD, SIR.

9

10 **FRANCOIS BACHOURA:** MY NAME IS FRANCOIS BACHOURA. I DO THE HOME
11 IMPROVEMENT AT L.A. WORKS, SUPERVISOR. I STARTED L.A. WORKS
12 THREE YEARS AGO. AND WHEN I FIRST STARTED, IT WAS JUST ANOTHER
13 PAYCHECK FOR ME. BUT AFTER THE FIRST YEAR, I SAW WHAT L.A.
14 WORKS WAS ALL ABOUT AND HOW THEY AFFECT THE LIVES OF THESE
15 YOUTH. AND THAT AFFECTED ME IN A WAY. THERE'S NOT A DAY WHERE
16 WE GO OUT TO DO WORK ON PEOPLE'S HOMES WHERE THERE ARE YOUTH
17 AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD THAT ASK IF L.A. WORKS IS HIRING. YOU
18 NEVER HEAR THE OTHER CONTRACTORS' NAMES OUT THERE, IT'S ALWAYS
19 L.A. WORKS, L.A. WORKS. AND I THINK SHUTTING DOWN L.A. WORKS
20 WOULD BE DEVASTATING TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

23

24 **DAVID MCELWAIN:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
25 BOARD. MY NAME IS DAVID MCELWAIN. I LIVE AND WORK IN THE

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1 POMONA AREA AND I'M HERE SEEKING YOUR SUPPORT OF THE
2 CONTINUANCE OF THE CONTRACT FOR L.A. WORKS. FOR THE PAST 25
3 YEARS I'VE DEDICATED MY PROFESSIONAL CAREER TO SERVING
4 STUDENTS AND LOW INCOME PARENTS AND JOB SEEKERS. I'M NOT AN
5 EMPLOYEE OF L.A. WORKS AND I AM NOT REPRESENTING ANY AGENCY,
6 BUT RATHER I'M HERE AS A CONCERNED CITIZEN AND RESIDENT OF THE
7 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. I KNOW WORK FOR MANY YEARS WITH THE
8 P.I.C.S, THE W.I.B.S, THE A.J.C.S AND WHATSITS OF EVERY
9 ACRONYM THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY. HAVING HAD MANY
10 OPPORTUNITIES TO REFER INDIVIDUAL JOB SEEKERS TO VARIOUS
11 W.I.A.-FUNDED SERVICES AND AGENCIES AND OBSERVED THEIR LEVEL
12 OF SERVICES AND OUTCOMES, I CAN SAY WITH CONFIDENCE THAT L.A.
13 WORKS IS AN EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT PROVIDER OF PUBLIC JOB
14 READINESS PLACEMENT SERVICES. I THINK WE REALLY HAVE TO LOOK
15 AT THE FACT THAT THERE WILL NOT BE A SEAMLESS TRANSITION OF
16 SERVICES. THIS IS GOING TO CREATE A LARGE HOLE IN JOB
17 PLACEMENT AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY.
18 THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, SIR. NEXT?

21

22 **TASHAWN MOORE:** HELLO, MY NAME IS TASHAWN MOORE. I'M A CURRENT
23 CLIENT OF L.A. WORKS. AND I JUST WANTED TO SAY THIS PROGRAM'S
24 VERY EFFECTIVE AND IT DOES GIVE PEOPLE AN OPPORTUNITY TO GAIN
25 JOB EXPERIENCE. AND ONE OF THE MANY REASONS WHY PEOPLE CAN'T

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1 GET JOBS IS BECAUSE OF LACK OF EXPERIENCE. AND THIS IS WHAT
2 L.A. WORKS HELPS YOU DO, GAIN EXPERIENCE. AND IT DOES HELP YOU
3 BECOME DESIRABLE TO EMPLOYERS. IT DOESN'T JUST HELP YOU GET A
4 JOB, IT OPENS DOORS TO CAREERS. RIGHT NOW I'M WORKING AT THE
5 WEST COVINA COURTHOUSE AND I'M A CLERK. AND I'M ALREADY
6 FILLING OUT OTHER JOB APPLICATIONS AND HAVE MANY CALLS BECAUSE
7 OF WHERE I'M GETTING EXPERIENCE AT. SO IT IS VERY EFFECTIVE.
8 AND IT WOULD BE A DISAPPOINTMENT TO SEE IT GET TAKEN AWAY.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

11

12 **MARIO RODRIGUEZ:** MY NAME IS MARIO RODRIGUEZ. I GET JOBS FOR
13 PEOPLE ON WELFARE. I GET JOBS FOR KIDS THAT ARE IN FOSTER
14 CARE. I GET JOBS FOR KIDS WHO ARE ON G.R. AND FOR C.S.S. TO
15 SAY THAT THERE'S NO STOPPAGE OF SERVICES, THEY'VE ALREADY
16 ASKED ME TO STOP SERVING THE YOUTH THAT I SERVE. THEY'VE ASKED
17 D.P.S.S. TO STOP REFERRING WELFARE RECIPIENTS TO ME. AND IF
18 YOU CAN SEE THE RECORD. I AM THE BEST PERFORMER OF ALL THE
19 WORK SOURCE CENTERS. I GET THE MOST JOBS, NOT JUST SUBSIDIZED
20 BUT UNSUBSIDIZED. AND I GUARANTEE YOU THERE'S NOBODY-- I KNOW
21 THEY ARE NOT GOING TO GO PICK UP THESE KIDS AND TAKE THEM TO
22 A.A. MEETINGS. THEY ARE NOT GOING TO PICK UP KIDS AND TAKE
23 THEM TO JOB INTERVIEWS. MOST OF THE OTHER WORK SOURCE CENTERS
24 OR THE OTHER AGENCIES SAY, "WE CAN'T DRIVE OUR KIDS. WE CAN'T
25 GO TO THE JOBS AND MEET WITH THEM." I WILL GO ON THE WEEKENDS.

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1 I GIVE MY CLIENTS MY CELL PHONE NUMBER. TO SAY THERE'S NO
2 DISTURBANCE IN SERVICES IS JUST STRAIGHT OUT SHAM. FOR
3 CONVENIENCE YOU'RE GOING TO STOP THIS. IT'S NOT CONVENIENT FOR
4 MY CLIENTS. IT IS NOT CONVENIENT FOR THE RESIDENTS OF YOUR
5 COUNTY WHO ARE ON WELFARE WHO NEED JOBS. IT'S NOT CONVENIENT
6 FOR KIDS IN FOSTER CARE WHO NEEDS EMPLOYMENT, WHO NEED
7 SERVICES AND IT'S DEFINITELY NOT CONVENIENT FOR THESE KIDS
8 THAT ARE ON G.R. WHO HAVE TRIED TO GET HELP FROM OTHER PLACES.
9 AND THEY'LL COME TO ME AND I WILL HELP THEM. I WILL HELP THEM.
10 HELP ME HELP THEM.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

13

14 **BRENDA GARCIA:** HI, MY NAME IS BRENDA GARCIA. I'M COMING FROM
15 WEST COVINA. I JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW THIS IS A REALLY GOOD
16 PROGRAM FOR ANYBODY THAT DOESN'T HAVE JOBS. RIGHT NOW THEY
17 HELP-- THEY WERE THE ONES THAT HELPED ME GET A JOB TOO, AND
18 IT'S A REALLY GOOD EXPERIENCE FOR ANYBODY THAT WANTS TO WORK
19 AND REALLY WANTS TO MOVE ON WITH ANYTHING. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I WOULD ASK THE NEXT FOUR,
22 MELISSA CONTRI, PHILIP CORREA, MIKE VILLAREAL AND KATHY FORD,
23 YOU WERE HERE EARLIER. YOU SPOKE EARLIER. OKAY. AND MIKE
24 VILLAREAL. I THINK I CALLED THAT NAME TOO. OKAY. GO AHEAD.

25

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1 **ADRIANA CECENA:** HI, MY NAME ADRIANA CECENA. I'M A T.S.E.
2 CLIENT. AND I JUST WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW THAT I HAVE-- I RAN
3 A SUCCESSFUL REAL ESTATE BUSINESS OVER 14 YEARS AND LOST MY
4 HOME TO FORECLOSURE, HAD IT CLOSE DURING THE RECESSION IN
5 2008. LOST MY HOME TO FORECLOSURE. I HAD TO SELL ALL MY
6 POSSESSIONS. AND WHAT I HAD NEVER DONE IN MY WHOLE LIFE,
7 HAVING WORKED SINCE THE AGE OF 15, BORN IN EAST L.A., AS WELL,
8 I WORKED IN L.A. COUNTY MY WHOLE LIFE, CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AS
9 WELL, I HAD TO ASK FOR ASSISTANCE. AND IT WAS VERY HARD FOR ME
10 TO DO THAT. AND THROUGH CALWORKS, I WAS REFERRED TO L.A. WORKS
11 AND MET SOME WONDERFUL PEOPLE THAT HELPED ME WITH MYSELF
12 ESTEEM, BRING IT BACK UP. AND IT WILL BE VERY SAD TO SEE THEM
13 GO. I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THE PLAN IS IF L.A. WORKS WERE
14 TO CLOSE THE END OF THIS MONTH. DO I HAVE A JOB JULY 1ST AND
15 WHERE DO I GO? I MEAN THOSE ARE THE THINGS THAT I WOULD THINK
16 WOULD BE PROPERLY PLANNED. AND I'D LIKE TO KNOW ABOUT THAT AS
17 A CITIZEN.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

20

21 **MELISSA CONTRI:** HI, MY NAME IS MELISSA CONTRI AND I'M HERE AS
22 A COMMUNITY PARTNER. I'VE BEEN FORTUNATE TO BE ABLE TO PARTNER
23 WITH L.A. WORKS WITH THE IN SCHOOL YOUTH PROGRAM. WE CAN SIT
24 HERE AND TALK ABOUT HOW GREAT THESE PROGRAMS ARE, WE ALL KNOW
25 THAT; THEY WORK. BUT I DO AGREE WITH SEVERAL PEOPLE HERE THAT

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1 THERE WILL BE A SERIOUS LAPSE IN SERVICES. I HAVE STUDENTS WHO
2 HAVE BEEN WAITING TO BECOME SENIORS TO BE ABLE TO BE PART OF
3 THE IN SCHOOL YOUTH PROGRAM, AND NOW I HAVE NOWHERE TO SEND
4 THEM. L.A. WORKS IS THE ONLY AGENCY THAT HAS ATTEMPTED TO
5 PARTNER WITHIN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND COME IN AND PROVIDE
6 THESE SERVICES FOR THE AT-RISK YOUTH. AND IF YOU GUYS
7 TERMINATE THEIR RIGHTS TO DO THAT, IT IS GOING TO BE A HUGE
8 LAPSE. WE HAVE A LOT OF YOUTH THAT WILL NOT RECEIVE THE SOFT
9 SKILLS THAT THEY NEED THAT THEY CANNOT GET IN THE CLASSROOM
10 DUE TO THE CONSTRAINTS OF HAVING TO TEACH TO THE CURRICULUM
11 AND WE'RE SERIOUSLY GOING TO SEE SOME ISSUES IF THEY'RE NOT
12 ABLE TO PERFORM THE SERVICES THAT THEY'VE BEEN ABLE TO DO IN
13 THE PAST.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

16

17 **PHILIP CORREA:** MY NAME IS PHIL CORREA. I'M A FORMER CLIENT AND
18 THEN BECAME AN EMPLOYEE AT L.A. WORKS. I WORKED FOR A PROGRAM
19 THAT HELPED THE COMMUNITY. IT WAS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR ME TO
20 GET OUT THERE, BUT L.A. WORKS HAS HELPED ME IMMENSELY. IT
21 HELPED ME CONNECT TO MR. ANTONOVICH WITH MEMORIAL FESTIVITIES
22 THAT THEY HAVE HAPPENED IN ARCADIA. IT HELPED ME WORK WITH
23 HILDA SOLIS, DOING AN ART PROGRAM. IT HELPED ME CONNECT WITH
24 GLORIA ROMERO. I DID SO MUCH, BUT WITHOUT THAT HELP, WITHOUT
25 L.A. WORKS BEHIND ME, IT WOULDN'T HAVE GAVE ME THE CHANCE TO

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1 GROW AND BRING THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER. THAT'S WHAT L.A. WORKS
2 IS THERE FOR. IT HELPED ME IN SO MANY WAYS AND I WANT TO THANK
3 THEM.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

6

7 **MIKE VILLAREAL:** HOW'S IT GOING? MY NAME'S MIKE VILLAREAL. I'M
8 HERE AS A CLIENT AND ALSO AN EMPLOYEE. I'M A PRODUCT OF THIS
9 PROGRAM. 20 YEARS AGO IN THE EARLY '90S, I DROPPED OUT OF
10 SCHOOL AND I WAS UNEMPLOYED AND DIDN'T HAVE WORK EXPERIENCE.
11 SO LUCKILY ONE OF MY BUDDIES JOINED THIS PROGRAM. HE TOLD ME
12 COME CHECK IT OUT, MIKE. I DID MY SIX MONTHS THERE WHILE I WAS
13 DOING MY PROGRAM, I GOT MY G.E.D., GOT MY DRIVER'S LICENSE AND
14 GOT TWO-PART TIME JOBS. LUCKILY ENOUGH, I KIND OF INVOLVED
15 MYSELF WITH THE PROGRAM SO I WAS EAGER, I WANTED TO HELP. AND
16 THERE WAS A SPOT THAT OPENED UP AND I BECAME THE ASSISTANT
17 COUNSELOR. SO FOR THE LAST 20 YEARS, I'VE BEEN HELPING L.A.
18 WORKS MENTOR YOUTH, DIRECT THEM IN A DIFFERENT WAY, FIND
19 CAREERS, FIND JOBS, SCHOOL, I MEAN, WHATEVER IT IS. LIKE MARIO
20 SAID, THE PHONE DON'T TURN OFF. THE PROGRAM MIGHT END, BUT THE
21 PHONE AND THE CONTACT DOESN'T STOP. SO I'M JUST HERE TO SAY
22 THAT THESE PROGRAMS DO WORK. AND THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I WOULD ASK THAT GERARDO
25 PUGA, MARNEIL MERCADO, GENE MURABITO AND JOHN WALSH?

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1

2 **MARNEIL MERCADO:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS NEIL MERCADO. AND I
3 WAS INVOLVED IN THE PROGRAM WITH T.S.E. AT L.A. WORKS. I WAS
4 AT A DARK POINT IN MY LIFE. L.A. WORKS HELPED ME GET OUT OF
5 THAT. I'M A LITTLE NERVOUS BECAUSE IT IS KIND OF DISTURBING TO
6 HEAR THAT THESE DOORS WILL BE CLOSED. YOU'RE NOT ONLY
7 AFFECTING THE WHOLE COMMUNITY, BUT THESE INDIVIDUALS AT L.A.
8 WORKS ARE CRUSADERS. WE ALL TRY TO FIGURE OUT WHAT WE NEED TO
9 DO FOR OUR LIVES AND FOR OTHER PEOPLE'S LIVES. THESE
10 INDIVIDUALS, THEY WAKE UP EACH MORNING KNOWING THAT THE SYSTEM
11 IS AGAINST THEM. AND YET THEY GO IN THROUGH THE DOORS AND HAVE
12 PASSION TO HELP OTHER PEOPLE'S LIVES. SO I UNDERSTAND
13 MISTAKES. I UNDERSTAND NUMBERS. GIVE THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO
14 TAKE CARE OF THOSE MISTAKES. BUT PLEASE DON'T AFFECT A LOT OF
15 PEOPLE'S LIVES. THANK YOU. NEXT?

16

17 **GERARDO PUGA:** YES, HELLO. GOOD MORNING, GUYS. MY NAME'S
18 GERARDO PUGA, AND I ENROLLED IN THE W.I.A. PROGRAM AS FAR BACK
19 AS 2008. I THANK L.A. WORKS BECAUSE WITHOUT L.A. WORKS, I'D
20 EITHER BE A JUNKIE OR I'D BE IN JAIL AND THAT'S THE GOD-HONEST
21 TRUTH RIGHT THERE. THEY REALLY SAVED MY LIFE. THEY PROVIDED
22 ROLE MODELS FOR ME. THEY MADE ME BELIEVE IN MYSELF WHEN NO ONE
23 ELSE WOULDN'T, AND I TAKE THAT KINDLY. AND I WILL FOREVER LIVE
24 WITH L.A. WORKS WITH ME. AND THAT WILL BE A PART OF MY LIFE
25 FOREVER. ANOTHER THING I TOOK FROM THEM WAS JOB TRAINING

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1 PURPOSES. I LEARNED HOW TO READ A MEASURING TAPE. I LEARNED
2 ABOUT SAFETY PRACTICES. I LEARNED HOW TO RUN A CREW, AND MANY
3 OTHER THINGS RIGHT THERE. AS FAR AS CITY BEAUTIFICATION, WE
4 HELPED THE CITY OF WEST COVINA, DUARTE LOOK A LOT BETTER AND
5 WE HELPED LOW INCOME HOUSING. THAT'S THE MOST TOUCHING BASE,
6 LOW INCOME HOUSING AND GOOD HELP IS HARD TO FIND NOWADAYS AND
7 PEOPLE WILLING TO HELP YOU EVEN ON AND OFF THE CLOCK. THAT'S
8 MY STATEMENT, SIR.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **GENE MURABITO:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS GENE MURABITO,
13 COUNCILMEMBER FROM THE CITY OF GLENDORA AND VICE CHAIR OF THE
14 L.A. WORKS BOARD. I WANT TO THANK YOU. I KNOW YOU HEARD A LOT
15 OF TESTIMONY THIS MORNING. AND AS YOU KNOW, L.A. WORKS SERVES
16 A NUMBER OF CITIES AS A J.P.A. AND WE REPRESENT CONSTITUENTS,
17 THAT'S BOTH YOU AND I WORK FOR AND REPRESENT. I'M NOT GOING TO
18 BE REDUNDANT AND ADD TO A LOT OF THE COMMENTS THAT YOU'VE
19 HEARD, BUT I'M GOING TO ASK THAT YOU NOT LOOK PAST ALL OF THE
20 GOOD THAT L.A. WORKS HAS PROVIDED OVER THE PAST 38 YEARS. THE
21 MISTAKES, THE PROBLEMS THAT WE'VE ENCOUNTERED ARE VERY SERIOUS
22 IN NATURE. BUT AS KEVIN STAPLETON MENTIONED, WE HAVE BEGUN TO
23 MAKE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS TO THOSE AND WE WOULD LIKE THE
24 OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE WITH THAT COURSE OF ACTION. I SIMPLY
25 ASK THAT AGAIN THIS MORNING YOU NOT LOOK PAST THE GOOD THAT

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1 WE'VE DONE AND THAT YOU RECONSIDER THE WORDING OF YOUR AGENDA
2 ITEM 15 AND ADD L.A. WORKS BACK AT ITS FUNDING LEVEL OF 2013-
3 '14 AND PLEASE ELIMINATE THE TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE
4 CLAUSE SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO SERVE OUR CUSTOMERS AND OUR
5 CONSTITUENTS. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

8

9 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR
10 JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL TWEETING @HOLLYWOODDEMS. WELL, THIS IS A
11 NO, NOT ANY BRAINER, NO BRAINER. PUT YOUR BRAIN ASIDE. YOU
12 DON'T NEED IT. VOTE FOR L.A. WORKS. THESE PEOPLE THAT HAVE
13 COME UP HERE ARE A TESTAMENT. WHATEVER PROBLEMS THERE ARE,
14 THEY DWARF IN COMPARISON TO THE PROBLEMS OVER AT THE CITY OF
15 L.A. AND SOME OF THESE OTHER CITIES. WE WANT THE MONEY. WE
16 WANT THE MONEY NOW. AND YOU WON'T REGRET INVESTING IN THE
17 FUTURE WHEN YOU INVEST IN L.A. WORKS. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I JUST HAD TWO. MELISSA CONTRI AND
20 BRENDA GARCIA? ARE THEY HERE? I CALLED YOU EARLIER. DO YOU
21 WANT TO TESTIFY? ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. MR.
22 ANTONOVICH, YOU KNOW, MR. STAPLETON AND THEN ALSO THE
23 DEPARTMENT, I HAD SOME QUESTIONS. MIKE?

24

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE QUESTION ON THE NURSES THAT WERE BEING
2 EMPLOYED, MR. STAPLETON, AT THE \$30 PLUS WHATEVER AN HOUR
3 VERSUS THE \$11 PLUS AN HOUR, WHAT WAS YOUR INTERPRETATION OF
4 THAT CHARGE?

5

6 **KEVIN STAPLETON:** WE UNDERSTOOD 11.84 WAS A SELF-SUFFICIENCY
7 NUMBER. THAT IS, IF YOU EARNED LESS THAN THAT, THAT WAS ONE OF
8 THE CRITERIA THAT WOULD ENABLE YOU TO QUALIFY FOR THE O.J.T.
9 PROGRAM. WE ACTUALLY THOUGHT THAT IF YOU WERE ABLE TO FIND
10 SOMEBODY A JOB THAT WAS EARNING LESS THAN 11.84, NOT EARNING,
11 AND YOU HAD A JOB AT \$32 AN HOUR, WE THOUGHT WE WERE DOING A
12 PRETTY GOOD JOB. WE ACTUALLY THOUGHT WE WERE DOING SOMETHING
13 POSITIVE FOR THE COMMUNITY.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IF THEY WERE BEING ALREADY HIRED BY THE
16 HOSPITAL PRIOR TO YOUR REFERRING THEM, THE ISSUE THAT THE
17 AUDITOR--?

18

19 **KEVIN STAPLETON:** THAT IS THE ALLEGATION. EVERY-- THE TWO
20 EMPLOYERS INVOLVED SIGNED CONTRACTS WITH US. IN THOSE
21 CONTRACTS, THEY CERTIFIED US IN A WARRANTY THAT THE PEOPLE
22 THAT THEY ARE CALLED TRAINEES, THAT THEY ARE SUBMITTING THIS
23 TO THE PROCESS ARE NOT THEIR EMPLOYEES AND HAVE NOT BEEN THEIR
24 EMPLOYEES. SO AT WHAT POINT ARE THEY EMPLOYEES AND NOT
25 EMPLOYEES? I'VE HAD SOME CONVERSATIONS WHERE PEOPLE HAVE SAID

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1 WELL THEY WERE EMPLOYEES BUT THEY WEREN'T WORKING OR THEY WERE
2 REQUIRED TO VOLUNTEER AND THEY DIDN'T GET A PAYCHECK. I WAS
3 NOT THERE. I WAS NOT ON THE GROUND WHEN THESE TRANSACTIONS ARE
4 TAKING PLACE. I'M COMING BACK IN AFTER THE FACT TRYING TO
5 FIGURE THIS OUT WITHOUT THE EXPERTISE OF A C.E.O. OF 38 YEARS'
6 EXPERIENCE THAT KNEW THIS PROGRAM, WITHOUT THE INDIVIDUAL THAT
7 RAN THESE PROGRAMS FOR US THAT SET THEM UP. SO IT'S SOMEWHAT
8 OF A DISADVANTAGE FOR ME. BUT THE FACT THAT IN MARCH OF 2013,
9 THE COUNTY CAME OUT AND DID A LEVERAGED VALIDATION. THEY SENT
10 PEOPLE OUT TO INVESTIGATE 40 OF OUR FILES, THESE NURSING
11 FILES. AND THEY INVESTIGATED FILES, WENT THROUGH THE WHOLE
12 THING. NO PROBLEMS ABOUT THE QUALIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY
13 LEVEL, THE QUALIFICATION OF LESS THAN 11.84. THEY HAD NO
14 PROBLEMS WHATSOEVER. THE ONLY ISSUE THEY RAISED WAS, ARE YOU
15 WORKING OUTSIDE YOUR GEOGRAPHIC REGION AND WHY ARE YOU DOING
16 THAT? WE RESPONDED TO THAT. AND THERE WAS NO PROBLEM. WE GOT
17 ACCOUNTS AND OUR FILES WERE GREAT, EVERYTHING IS IN ORDER, IT
18 WAS TERRIFIC. SO WHEN THIS CAME DOWN, WE GOT THE AUDITOR'S
19 REPORT, IT WAS KIND OF A BIG SURPRISE TO US THAT THERE WAS
20 THIS ISSUE. I'M NOT TRYING TO-- I DID NOT COME DOWN HERE TODAY
21 TO TRY TO REWORK THAT ISSUE. I DID NOT ASK THE BOARD TO TAKE
22 BACK OR REVERSE OR OTHERWISE DEAL WITH THEIR MAY 20TH RULING
23 ON THE TERMINATION OF THE C.T.E. CONTRACT THAT EXPIRED ON MAY
24 26TH. WE DIDN'T COME DOWN TO TALK ABOUT THE O.J.T. PROGRAM
25 PARTICULARLY. WE CAME DOWN TO TALK ABOUT ONGOING FUNDING FOR

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1 OUR OTHER PROGRAMS. WE'RE NOT ASKING TO BE REINSTATED IN O.J.
2 T. WE ARE NOT ASKING FOR THE C.T.E. CONTRACT BACK. WE'RE
3 ASKING TO BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE TO DO ALL THOSE OTHER
4 PROGRAMS WE'VE DONE SO WELL FOR SO LONG. PEOPLE COME TO US
5 BECAUSE THEY KNOW WE ARE THERE. WE HAVE BUILT A GOODWILL IN
6 OUR COMMUNITIES, AND THE FOUR CITIES, COVINA, AZUSA, GLENDORA
7 AND WEST COVINA, THESE ARE OUR CONSTITUENTS. THESE ARE PEOPLE
8 WE WANT TO SERVE, WE ARE ELECTED TO SERVE AND WE ARE TRYING TO
9 SERVE THROUGH THIS VEHICLE. IT'S A LOCAL CONTROL QUESTION FOR
10 US TO ALLOW US TO GO AHEAD AND DO THIS. WE RECOGNIZE THERE IS
11 AN ISSUE. WE RECOGNIZE THERE IS SOME POTENTIAL EXPOSURE. AND
12 WE WANT TO TRY TO DEAL WITH THAT. BUT IF ITEM 25 THE WAY IT'S
13 WRITTEN OUT GOES THROUGH, WE'RE OUT OF BUSINESS. AND WE CANNOT
14 SERVICE OUR CLIENTELE, WE CANNOT SERVICE OUR RESIDENTS. WE NOT
15 MEET OUR OBLIGATION TO OUR COMMUNITIES AND WE CAN'T PAY
16 ANYBODY ANYTHING. WE CAN'T PAY PEOPLE BACK. WE DON'T HAVE
17 ANYTHING, SO I DON'T KNOW HOW ELSE TO DO THIS. THE OTHER POINT
18 THAT-- I JUST WANT TO DEAL WITH THIS O.J.T. QUESTION REALLY
19 QUICKLY. IF YOU FOLLOW WHO GOT THE MONEY. FOLLOW THE MONEY,
20 YOU FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED. THE WAY THIS O.J.T. PROGRAM WORKS
21 IS IT'S A COST REIMBURSEMENT. WE PUT OUT ABOUT \$200,000 A YEAR
22 TO THESE PROGRAMS TO FUND THEM, OF OUR MONEY. THEN WE TURN
23 AROUND AND COME BACK TO THE COUNTY AND SAY REIMBURSE US FOR
24 THIS, WHICH THEY DO. SUBSEQUENTLY THEY DETERMINED THAT WE'RE
25 NOT ENTITLED TO ASK FOR REIMBURSEMENT, THAT'S THE OVERBILLING.

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1 BUT IF WE WERE OUT TO CHEAT SOMEBODY OUT OF SOMETHING
2 UNTOWARD, SOMETHING EVIL, WE WOULD NEVER HAVE PUT OUR OWN
3 MONEY TO BEGIN WITH AND ASK FOR THE MONEY BACK. THAT'S NOT
4 QUITE HOW ONE WOULD THINK YOU'RE GOING TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
5 THE SYSTEM, THUS TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SYSTEM. IN TERMS OF
6 PRECEDENT, I APPRECIATE THERE MAY HAVE BEEN OTHER ENTITIES
7 THAT WERE NOT ALLOWED TO CONTINUE THAT WERE CARDED AND SO
8 FORTH, AND I DON'T KNOW HOW TO DEAL WITH THAT BECAUSE I DON'T
9 KNOW THE FACTUAL SITUATION, BUT I'M PRETTY SURE THEY WERE NOT
10 A J.P.A. OF FOUR CITIES DESIGNED TO SERVE THEIR CONSTITUENTS.
11 ON THE C.T.E. CONTRACT, THE \$130,000, THAT WAS REPAID IN MARCH
12 OF 2013. EXCUSE ME. MARCH OF 2014. ALMOST 60 DAYS BEFORE THE
13 MAY 20TH MEETING. AND THAT AROSE OUT OF AN ALLOCATION OF
14 EMPLOYEE TIME THAT INSTEAD OF BEING 90-10, 90 TO THE SHERIFF'S
15 DEPARTMENT, 10 PERCENT FOR OTHER PURPOSES, THEY HAD BOOKED IT
16 AT 100 PERCENT. AND THAT WAS A PROBLEM WITH OUR SOFTWARE WHICH
17 WE HAVE SINCE CORRECTED. ORDINARILY WHEN THERE ARE ISSUES, WE
18 TRY TO CORRECT THEM AND THEN MOVE ON WITH THE PROCESS AND TRY
19 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE BETTER OURSELVES AND WE RESOLVE THE
20 PROBLEMS. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO HERE. I KNOW THERE'S
21 A LOT OF MONEY. AND WE'RE NOT VERY HAPPY ABOUT IT, EITHER, BUT
22 WE'RE TRYING TO CONTINUE TO SERVE OUR RESIDENTS IN A POSITIVE
23 WAY. WE DIDN'T GO OUT FISHING INTO THE O.J.T. CONTRACT. THEY
24 CAME TO US BASED ON PRIOR WORK WE HAD DONE FOR FIVE HOSPITALS
25 UNDER A FEDERAL NURSING PROGRAM. AND THEY HAD A CONTRACT WITH

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1 US. THEY CONTACTED US AND SAID, "DO YOU HAVE ANY TRAINING
2 MONEY?" OKAY. YEAH, WE HAD SOME. AND THAT'S HOW THESE TWO
3 HOSPITALS, WHITE AND VICTORIA MEMORIAL GOT INVOLVED. FINALLY,
4 WE SENT A COUPLE OF POINTS OUT IN AN EMAIL TO EVERYBODY
5 YESTERDAY, TO EACH OF THE SUPERVISORS, THAT HAD SOME
6 INFORMATION INCLUDING SUPPORT FROM EMPLOYERS. I KNOW YOU SEE
7 MOSTLY EMPLOYEES HERE TODAY, RESIDENTS AND OUR EMPLOYEES, BUT
8 THERE ARE A NUMBER OF EMPLOYERS THAT SUPPORT US.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **KEVIN STAPLETON:** WE'RE JUST TRYING TO CONTINUE WITHOUT HAVING
13 OUR LEGS CUT OUT FROM UNDER US.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES, ZEV?

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I JUST ASK THE STAFF, THE ONE GENTLEMAN WHO
18 CAME UP, THE LADY, AND I FORGOT WHICH-- ONE PERSON TESTIFIED
19 THAT THEY WOULD NOT KNOW WHERE TO GO, WHERE TO REPORT TO WORK
20 ON JULY 1ST AND WHETHER THEY EVEN HAD A JOB ON JULY 1ST. COULD
21 YOU ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF WHAT YOU'RE DOING AND EITHER REASSURE
22 OR NOT REASSURE THE PEOPLE THAT THIS TRANSITION PROGRAM THAT
23 YOU'RE PROPOSING IS GOING TO WORK? AND WHAT DOES HAPPEN ON THE
24 FIRST OF JULY?

25

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1 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** ON THE FIRST OF JULY, THOSE ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS
2 IN THE PROGRAM WILL BE TRANSITIONED TO CURRENT PROVIDERS THAT
3 CURRENTLY SERVE WEST COVINA, POMONA AND EL MONTE. AT THE SITE
4 ITSELF, THERE WILL BE A SIGN ON THE DOOR GIVING THE TELEPHONE
5 NUMBER AND THE LOCATION OF THOSE SITES FOR THOSE WHO ARE NOT
6 CURRENTLY CLIENTS. FOR THOSE WHO ARE CURRENTLY CLIENTS, WE
7 WILL CONTACT THEM PRIOR TO JULY 1 AND ADVISE THEM OF THE NEW
8 LOCATION. I BELIEVE YOUR QUESTION HAD TO DO WITH EMPLOYEES, AS
9 WELL. THAT WOULD BE UP TO L.A. WORKS WITH REGARDS TO THE
10 TRANSITION OF THE EMPLOYEES OF L.A. WORKS.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WAS MORE FOCUSED ON THE CLIENTS. BUT YOU
13 ANSWERED THAT. HAS THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND YOUR DEPARTMENT
14 SHARED WITH THE LAY LEADERSHIP, THE BOARD LEADERSHIP OF L.A.
15 WORKS WHAT THE ISSUES ARE?

16

17 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** YES.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BECAUSE IT CERTAINLY DOESN'T APPEAR FROM THE
20 CONVERSATION WE'VE BEEN HAVING HERE THAT THERE'S A RECOGNITION
21 OF THE SERIOUSNESS. MAYBE NOW THERE IS RECOGNITION OF THE
22 SERIOUSNESS, BUT NOT OF THE TAKING OF OWNERSHIP OF IT. I'M
23 JUST CONCERNED THAT MAYBE THEY DON'T KNOW EVERYTHING THAT
24 WE'RE IN A POSITION TO TELL THEM, BUT HAVE WE SHARED ALL THE
25 INFORMATION THAT WE CAN SHARE ABOUT WHAT WE HAVE UNCOVERED?

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1

2 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** YES, ALL OF THAT INFORMATION HAS BEEN SHARED
3 WITH L.A. WORKS THROUGH THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **KEVIN STAPLETON:** MIGHT I RESPOND TO A POINT ON THAT?

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SURE.

10

11 **KEVIN STAPLETON:** WE UNDERSTOOD-- WE GOT THE AUDITOR'S REPORT
12 AND WE SAW THOSE IN THERE. AND WE SAID, "OKAY, WE DON'T WANT
13 TO GO TO COURT, WE'RE NOT GOING TO DO ALL THAT STUFF, FINE, WE
14 WILL TAKE THAT. I WILL GO AHEAD AND LET THE C.T.E. CONTRACT GO
15 TO ANOTHER ENTITY. WE WILL NO LONGER PARTICIPATE IN O.J.T."
16 THAT WAS FINE. WHAT WE DIDN'T ANTICIPATE AND WHAT WE DIDN'T
17 GET NOTICE OF, SO I DON'T THINK WE GOT DUE PROCESS ON, WAS THE
18 PENALTY. IT'S A DEATH PENALTY. WHEN YOU STOP FUNDING US, WE
19 DISAPPEAR. SO THAT WAS THE PART THAT WE DIDN'T GET NOTICE OF.
20 HAD WE GOTTEN NOTICE OF THAT, THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN ENGAGED ON
21 A DIFFERENT LEVEL BECAUSE THESE PROGRAMS ARE UNIQUE PROGRAMS
22 THAT WE OPERATE. THERE ARE ONLY TWO OF THE PROGRAMS WE
23 OPERATE. WE OPERATE ABOUT 17 OTHER PROGRAMS THAT ALL DO GOOD
24 THINGS FOR OUR COMMUNITIES AND HAVE DONE GOOD THINGS FOR OUR
25 COMMUNITIES WE'RE TRYING TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES. WE

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1 RECOGNIZE THIS IS SERIOUS. WE RECOGNIZE WE HAVE PROBLEMS HERE
2 AND WE NEED TO GET THEM RECTIFIED WHICH IS WHAT WE WANT TO DO.
3 BUT NOT TELLING US "I KNOW YOU GOT A TRAFFIC TICKET, BUT BY
4 THE WAY WE WILL TAKE YOUR CAR AND YOUR HOUSE AND ALL YOUR
5 MONEY" THAT JUST SEEMS A LITTLE BIT OVERKILL FOR THIS. I KNOW
6 IT'S A LOT OF MONEY, BUT IT WAS OVER A FOUR-YEAR PERIOD. AND
7 AGAIN JUST GIVING US BACK MONEY WE ALREADY PUT OUT, IT WASN'T
8 LIKE WE WERE TRYING TO CHEATING ANYBODY. IT WAS NEGLIGENCE AT
9 WORST.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NEGLIGENCE NOBODY IS TRYING TO CHEAT
12 ANYBODY?

13

14 **KEVIN STAPLETON:** I'M SORRY?

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU SAY NOBODY'S TRYING TO CHEAT ANYBODY?

17

18 **KEVIN STAPLETON:** RIGHT. WE PUT OUT OUR OWN MONEY. THAT
19 \$200,000 A YEAR FOR THE FOUR YEARS. WE PUT THAT OUT OF OUR OWN
20 POCKET AND WE ASKED THE COUNTY FOR REIMBURSEMENT. AND WE WERE
21 AUDITED EVERY YEAR. EVERYTHING WAS FINE. THAT'S HOW THEY GOT
22 TO 800,000. THEY WENT BACK FOUR YEARS AND SAID BY THE WAY NOW
23 WE ARE GOING TO START QUESTIONING STUFF THAT WE DIDN'T LOOK AT
24 BEFORE.

25

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU DON'T THINK THERE WAS ANY FRAUD OR
2 ANYTHING LIKE THAT?

3

4 **KEVIN STAPLETON:** NO. AND NONE HAS BEEN ALLEGED. EVEN THE
5 AUDITOR ACKNOWLEDGED THE MONEY WE GOT WAS MONEY THAT WE PAID
6 OUT WE GOT REIMBURSED FOR. THAT'S THE NATURE OF THE PROGRAM,
7 THE O.J.T. PROGRAM. AND THAT MONEY, BY THE WAY, IS EXACTLY,
8 WENT THROUGH EXACTLY THE PURPOSE THAT THE O.J.T. PROGRAM WAS
9 DESIGNED TO DO, TO OFFSET TRAINING COSTS FOR EMPLOYERS.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF I CAN ASK JOHN NAIMO. DOES YOUR REPORT
12 IDENTIFY ANY-- THESE ARE MY WORDS, NOT INTENDED TO BE LEGALLY
13 EXACTLY ACCURATE-- BUT FALSIFICATION OF INFORMATION THAT WAS
14 SUBMITTED TO US, TO OUR DEPARTMENTS FOR JUSTIFICATION OF THE
15 EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS OF THIS PROGRAM?

16

17 **JOHN NAIMO:** SUPERVISOR, NO. IF YOU ARE ALLUDING TO WHERE
18 THERE'S EVIDENCE OF FRAUD? NO. NOT SPECIFICALLY. WE SIMPLY
19 REPORTED THAT THE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS WERE NOT ADHERED TO.
20 AND EFFECTIVELY THE ENTIRE POPULATION OF PEOPLE THAT WERE
21 REFERRED TO THESE HOSPITALS WERE NOT QUALIFIED FOR THE
22 REIMBURSEMENT THAT WAS RECOVERED.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO WE BELIEVE THAT WAS JUST AN ACCIDENT AND
25 INCOMPETENCE?

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1

2 **JOHN NAIMO:** WE DIDN'T DO ENOUGH WORK TO GO BEYOND REPORTING
3 WHAT I JUST STATED. WE DIDN'T DO AN INVESTIGATIVE REVIEW
4 BEYOND WHAT THE AUDIT DETERMINED.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. I GUESS I SHOULD HAVE A
7 CONVERSATION WITH YOU PRIVATELY BECAUSE THERE'S CERTAIN THINGS
8 WHICH WE'VE BEEN ASKED NOT TO DISCUSS AND I'M NOT GOING TO
9 DISCUSS THEM WITH DEFERENCE TO EVERYONE CONCERNED. BUT WHAT
10 I'M CONFUSED ABOUT IS WHAT I UNDERSTAND IS INVOLVED, IF WHAT
11 I'VE BEEN INFORMED, ALL OF US HAVE BEEN INFORMED IS INVOLVED,
12 I'M NOT CLEAR ON WHY, HOW THAT RECONCILES WITH WHAT YOU JUST
13 SAID. BUT I MAY NOT UNDERSTAND THE NOMENCLATURE HERE SO I'M
14 NOT GOING TO PURSUE IT ANY FURTHER. BUT I DO THINK WE NEED AN
15 EXPLANATION OF THAT. MAYBE WE CAN GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AND
16 QUICKLY TAKE THIS UP SO THAT I CAN ASK WITHOUT THE SWORD OF
17 DAMOCLES HANGING OVER MY HEAD.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND IT WAS FAR MORE SERIOUS THAN
22 THIS.

23

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND THE ISSUE OF NOT ACCEPTING CLIENTS,
2 SOMEONE MENTIONED, YOU ALREADY TOLD THEM NOT TO ACCEPT
3 CLIENTS, IS THAT CORRECT?

4

5 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THE O.J.T. PROGRAM WAS SUSPENDED EARLIER THIS
6 YEAR AS A RESULT OF THE INITIAL FINDINGS.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND THEN THE ISSUE OF CLOSING THE DOORS
9 AND THEN THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THOSE, WHEN YOU SAY THERE WILL BE
10 NO LAPSE IN SERVICE FOR THESE FOLKS, DO WE HAVE SOMETHING IN
11 PLACE TO TAKE THEM?

12

13 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** WE HAVE CONTRACTORS THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN PLACE
14 THAT WILL BE ABLE TO TRANSITION THE ACTIVE CLIENTS.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WILL WE HAVE STAFF ON SITE OR CLOSE TO
17 IT TO DEAL WITH THE ISSUE OF THE CLIENTS?

18

19 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** WE WILL HAVE STAFF ON SITE TO DO THE DIRECTIONS
20 AS OF JULY 1.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ZEV, YOU WANT TO PLACE THIS ITEM
23 ON THE TABLE WHEN WE GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO ASK THE
24 QUESTION? OKAY. ALL RIGHT. OKAY, ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? MR.
25 STAPLETON OR STAFF? IF NOT, WE'RE GOING TO PLACE THE ITEM ON

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1 THE TABLE. AND WELL GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AFTER PUBLIC
2 COMMENTS. AND THEN WE WILL COME OUT OF CLOSED SESSION ON ITEM
3 NO. 25.

4

5 **KEVIN STAPLETON:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENTS. FOR
8 THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE HERE, THIS IS UNRELATED TO ITEM 25. THIS
9 IS OUR END-OF-MEETING PUBLIC COMMENTS BEFORE WE GO INTO CLOSED
10 SESSION. WE HAVE SOMEONE FROM LANCASTER, I'M BEING TOLD? DIANA
11 BEARD WILLIAM?

12

13 **DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS:** YES, YOU HAVE DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS HERE,
14 AND I APOLOGIZE FOR THE SUNGLASSES BUT I DO HAVE A MIGRAINE
15 HEADACHE. THE REASON I AM HERE IS BECAUSE I AM GOING TO BE
16 HERE VERY OFTEN TALKING ABOUT THE MICHAEL ANTONOVICH
17 COURTHOUSE AND MICHAEL ANTONOVICH'S LACK OF INVOLVEMENT IN
18 STRAIGHTENING OUT WHAT I CONSIDER THE DON CORLEONE MAFIA-TYPE
19 MENTALITY THAT HAPPENS IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. I HAVE BEFORE
20 ME TODAY SOME OF THE DOCUMENTATION THAT I'M GOING TO BE
21 CIRCULATING AROUND THE COUNTRY IF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
22 DOES NOT START TO LOOK INTO THE COURTHOUSE. AND THIS DOCUMENT
23 COMES FROM A JUDGE IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION WHICH CLEARLY SAYS
24 THAT A CASE THAT WAS REFERRED DOWN TO HIM WAS SHAMEFUL AND
25 THAT HE DID NOT UNDERSTAND WHAT WAS GOING ON IN THE MICHAEL

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1 ANTONOVICH COURTHOUSE, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND THE
2 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN TERMS OF HOW CASES ARE BEING HANDLED.
3 HE IMMEDIATELY DISMISSED THE JURY, EXPUNGED THE PERSON'S
4 RECORDS AND CLOSED THE CASE DOWN. THIS HAPPENS OFTEN. I'VE
5 ALSO BEEN THE VICTIM OF BOGUS WARRANTS WHERE I HAD A WARRANT
6 PUT OUT AGAINST ME WHICH I BELIEVE WAS CONSTRUCTED BY R.X.
7 PARIS. IT WAS REDUCED TO A MISDEMEANOR BECAUSE I WOULD NOT
8 ACCEPT NOT GOING TO TRIAL. THEN REDUCED TO A SMALL CLAIMS
9 COURT CASE. AND FINALLY REX PARIS AND CAROL PARIS GAVE ME THE
10 MONEY TO PAY OFF \$4700 WHICH SHOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN IN A
11 FELONY CASE SITUATION. THAT GOES ON OFTEN. THEY PAID OFF
12 SOMETHING WHICH REX STARTED. THIS HAPPENS OFTEN. I'M GLAD YOUR
13 FAMILY IS SAFE, MIKE. YOUR FAMILY IS LOVED. YOUR FAMILY'S
14 PROTECTED. BUT THE FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY ARE NOT BECAUSE
15 YOU HAVE LOOKED THE OTHER WAY FOR YEARS AND ALLOWED THE
16 COURTHOUSE TO OPERATE AS IF IT IS A MAFIA ARM OF R.X. PARIS
17 AND SOME OF THE OTHER INDIVIDUALS UP HERE. MY FAMILY RIGHT NOW
18 IS BEING HELD HOSTAGE BECAUSE OF AN ORDER THAT WAS SET UP BY
19 REX, HELEN ACOSTA AND A GENTLEMAN BY THE NAME OF OSCAR ALEMAN.
20 I WAS VACATED THE ORDER AND I WAS THE DEFENDANT BUT THEY KEPT
21 MY FAMILY IN ORDER TO PUNISH ME. I'M GOING TO FILE A LAWSUIT
22 BECAUSE IT IS A VIOLATION OF MY CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS.
23 SOMEBODY NEEDS TO START INVESTIGATING YOU, MIKE, AND ASK WHY
24 YOUR HEAD HAS BEEN IN THE SAND FOR THE LAST TWO DECADES YOU
25 HAVE ALLOWED THESE PEOPLE TO DO THIS.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TIME'S UP. ETHEL JOHNSON. LORI MARTIN.
3 STEVEN FISCHER AND ARNOLD SACHS. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO
4 FIRST, PLEASE PROCEED.

5

6 **LORI MARTIN:** YES, GOOD MORNING, LORI MARTIN FROM RIVERSIDE
7 COUNTY. IT SAYS CHILDREN ARE SUSCEPTIBLE TO A VARIETY OF
8 COMMUNICABLE DISEASES, ILLNESSES IN CENTERS FREQUENTED BY
9 CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, AN INTERACTION WITH CHILDREN AND STAFF
10 OR BY EATING CONTAMINATED FOODS. THESE ARE DISEASES SUCH AS
11 S.A.R.S., M.R.S.A., HEPATITIS, H.I.V. POSSIBLY, ESPECIALLY
12 CONSIDERING THE FACT THAT A FOSTER CHILD IS MADE TO EAT OUT OF
13 A PUBLIC TRASH CAN, A FEMALE'S PUBLIC TRASH CAN WHERE SANITARY
14 NAPKINS COULD VERY WELL BE, MANY NAPKINS WITH SNOT, DISEASE.
15 WOULD YOU GUYS LIKE TO EAT OUT OF A TRASH CAN? BECAUSE I KNOW
16 THAT IT HURTS THAT LITTLE SEVEN-YEAR-OLD. WE'RE ASKING THAT
17 THE OFFENDING PARTY, A FOSTER FATHER BART FREEMAN BE CHARGED
18 UNDER THE FOLLOWING PENAL CODES, 11165.3. AS USED IN THIS
19 ARTICLE, THE WILLFUL HARMING OR INJURING OF A CHILD OR
20 ENDANGERING OF THE PERSON OR HEALTH OF A CHILD. THIS IS A
21 HEALTH AND SAFETY VIOLATION, AS WELL, ON TOP OF A PENAL CODE.
22 WE'RE ALSO ASKING THAT HE BE CHARGED WITH 11165.4 AS USED IN
23 THE ARTICLE, UNLAWFUL CORPORAL PUNISHMENT OR INJURY MEANS IN A
24 SITUATION WHERE ANY PERSON WILLFULLY INFLICTS UPON ANY CHILD
25 ANY CRUEL OR INHUMANE CORPORAL PUNISHMENT. I BELIEVE IT IS

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1 SERIOUSLY INHUMANE TO MAKE ANY CHILD EAT OUT OF A GARBAGE CAN.
2 THIS CHILD NEEDS TO BE RETURNED TO HER MOTHER, WHO I HAVE
3 GOTTEN TO KNOW OVER A YEAR, AND HAS COMPLETED ALL D.C.F.S.
4 SERVICES HAS THE CERTIFICATES, AND IS NOW UP FOR T.P.R.? THIS
5 IS RIDICULOUS. WAKE UP, ALREADY!

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

8

9 **STEVEN FISCHER:** OKAY. I'M DR. FISHER OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
10 OFFICE OF ED. I'M GOING TO SAY SOMETHING POSITIVE HERE. I WANT
11 TO THANK THE TWO PEOPLE THAT ARE LEAVING BECAUSE OF TERM
12 LIMITS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE. NOW, I WANT TO GET TO
13 ANOTHER ITEM. AS FAR AS LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF ED, AND
14 THIS WON'T TAKE LONG, THERE'S SOMETHING CALLED FREEDOM SCHOOL.
15 FREEDOM SCHOOL, I LOOKED OVER THE CURRICULUM AND I WISH MR.
16 MARK RIDLEY, IS HE AROUND? I KNOW HE WAS VERY MUCH BEHIND
17 THIS. AND IT LOOKS LIKE A FAIRLY GOOD PROGRAM. HOWEVER, I
18 RECOMMEND THAT YOU OR PEOPLE UNDER YOU COME AND VISIT DURING
19 THE SUMMER AND SEE IT FOR YOURSELF. THERE'S ONE THING THAT IT
20 IS LACKING, AND I THINK I'M GOING TO CONTACT THE C.V.F. ON IT.
21 THERE'S NO MATHEMATICS, AND THESE KIDS NEED MATHEMATICS BADLY.
22 OKAY. AND, FINALLY, THERE'S SOMETHING CALLED THE RUBBER ROOM.
23 I DON'T KNOW IF YOU KNOW WHAT THAT IS. BUT IT'S ALL THROUGHOUT
24 THE COUNTRY, THE UNITED STATES. BUT I'VE DECIDED TO DO A
25 RESEARCH PAPER WHICH I WILL SEND TO YOU WHEN I'M ALL SAID AND

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1 DONE AND USE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF ED AS A TEST CASE.
2 IN A NUTSHELL TEACHERS ARE TAKEN OUT OF THE ROOM BY PROBATION
3 AND THEN THEY'RE ASKED TO STAY AT HOME AND THEY'RE PAID FULL
4 SALARY. THAT'S NOT ACCEPTABLE. WHILE PROBATION DOES THEIR
5 LOOKING INTO THE MATTER. MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, IT COMES BACK
6 NOTHING. SO I DID SEE-- I HAVE SPOKEN TO THE SUPERINTENDENT.
7 HE KNOWS ME. THE PROBATION CHIEF KNOWS ME. BUT SINCE THEY BOTH
8 REPORT TO YOU ALL, I THINK YOU HAVE TO SIT THEM BOTH DOWN AND
9 FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING ON HERE WITH THIS RUBBER ROOM BECAUSE
10 IT'S TAKING TOO LONG. AND KIDS ARE LEFT WITH SUBS. AND THAT'S
11 NOT GOOD WHILE THIS IS GOING ON. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT? ETHEL?

14

15 **ETHEL JOHNSON:** YES. I'M GLAD TO BE, THE MASTER OF-- I WORKED
16 FOR ALL THREE DISTRICTS. BUT REALLY IT'S NOT DOING ANYTHING I
17 CAN SAY IS THAT RIGHT NOW I'M DISABLED. BUT I WAS-- AND I
18 WANTED TO GET PAID BECAUSE I'VE BEEN WORKING ALL THESE YEARS
19 WITH KENNETH HAHN'S DAUGHTER, WHICH IS JANICE HAHN. WHEN I'M
20 AT HOME AND I'M THERE AND IN PAIN OR WHATEVER, THEY STILL CALL
21 ME TO COME TO THE AREA. I HAVE TO COME TO THE COMPTON AREA
22 BECAUSE THAT'S MY AREA AND VETERANS AREA AND MY FATHER WAS A
23 VETERAN. THEY KILLED MY FATHER AND MY MOM. SO I'M OKAY ON
24 THAT. BUT THEY WANT ME TO COME HERE TO COMPTON BECAUSE THEY
25 DON'T HAVE ANYBODY TO DO THE WATCH. I'VE BEEN IN YOUR AREA,

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1 WHICH IS ON THE THIRD IN SAN PEDRO, THEY CALL ME THERE. AND I
2 APPRECIATE IT SO MUCH. SO I AM HURTING. BUT I TAKE MY MEDICINE
3 AND I GO. BUT THEY GOT ME MIXED UP WITH SOMEBODY ELSE. I GOT--
4 MRS. MOLINA, I'M IN THE COAST GUARD. THEY GOT ME MIXED UP WITH
5 SOMEBODY ELSE, SO I'M JUST WAITING. I GOT FEDERAL OFFICERS. I
6 WAS BORN AND RAISED WITH A GUN. SO I'M JUST TRYING TO GET--
7 SURE, I'M TRYING TO GET OUT. BUT I CAN'T GET OUT UNLESS
8 SOMEBODY PUT, YOU KNOW, SAY SOMETHING. THIS IS PRIVATE. THIS
9 IS A PRIVATE THING. YOU KNOW? THEY DO MOVIES. I DID MOVIES
10 WITH EDDIE MURPHY AND ARSENIO HALL, DO YOU KNOW WHAT I'M
11 SAYING? SO THIS IS KIND OF PRIVATE, FOR US? I GOT A PROGRAM
12 HERE CALLED CRIME STOPPERS THAT NOBODY WANT TO HELP. BUT IT'S
13 FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. IF YOU DON'T STOP CRIME, YOU'RE
14 NOT GOING TO, YOU KNOW--

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MS. JOHNSON YOUR TIME'S UP. ERIC PREVEN,
17 IRENE PANG AND PATRICK O'ROURKE.

18

19 **ETHEL JOHNSON:** I'M IN PAIN.

20

21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. BU
22 ANY CHANCE, DID ANYBODY HAPPEN TO PICK UP WEDNESDAY'S L.A.
23 TIMES? TWO INTERESTING STORIES. COUNTY TO HIRE CHILD WELFARE
24 CZAR ON THE FRONT PAGE AND ON SECTION A-8, BOARD KEPT IN THE
25 DARK ON JAILS. WELL, THE WELFARE CZAR IS GOING TO BE HAVING

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1 THE ABILITY TO PUT ALL THESE DEPARTMENTS TOGETHER AND DO ALL
2 THIS STUFF AND HAVE A MAGIC POTION FOR D.C.F.S. OH, AND BY THE
3 WAY, WHEN YOU ELIMINATED MR. FUJIOKA'S OVERSIGHT OF THE
4 D.C.F.S. REPORTING TO HIM, D.C.F.S. WAS REPORTING TO YOU. SO
5 HOW COULD YOU HAVE THESE SILOS, SUPERVISOR MOLINA TALKED ABOUT
6 IN HER SPEECH WHEN THEY REPORTED TO YOU. DON'T YOU HAVE
7 OVERSIGHT OF ALL THESE DEPARTMENT HEADS? WOULDN'T YOU HAVE THE
8 ABILITY TO BREAK DOWN THESE SILOS? BECAUSE THEN YOU HAVE BOARD
9 KEPT IN THE DARK IN THE JAILS. HAD NO IDEA THE F.B.I. WAS
10 DOING THIS INVESTIGATION. BUT DO YOU KNOW WHO DID OTHER THAN
11 THE SHERIFFS? DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. DON'T YOU HAVE
12 OVERSIGHT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES? IT SAYS HERE
13 THAT IF THEY GOT DOCUMENTATION, IT WOULD GO TO COUNTY COUNSEL.
14 COUNTY COUNSEL, OH YOU KNOW WHERE WE HEARD THAT? THAT WAS IN
15 THE WHITTIER LAWSUIT. AGAIN, INFORMATION THAT YOU DON'T GET.
16 SO HOW ARE THESE PEOPLE-- HOW ARE THESE NEW UNITS-- BECAUSE
17 THIS IS THE SAME POSITION THAT THE GUY FOR THE SHERIFF'S
18 DEPARTMENT, THE INSPECTOR GENERAL IS NOT GOING TO HAVE ANY
19 WORD, ISN'T THAT THE SAME SITUATION? IT'S PRETTY IMPRESSIVE.
20 AND NOW YOU WILL GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS FRAUD? IF
21 YOU LOOK AT ITEM 39 BY ANY CHANCE, IT'S THE BLUE LINE
22 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. RIGHT HERE. HOW DID THAT CHANGE?
23 TALKING ABOUT DECEIT AND FRAUD AND YOU FIND WE HAD JACKO, WE
24 HAD WACKO AND NOW WE HAVE THE FIVE BOZOS. O, O, O.

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NOT REALLY.

2

3 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES. IT'S ERIC PREVEN COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
4 DISTRICT 3 AND I SEE JOHN KRATTLI TALKING TO THE MAYOR AND THE
5 EXECUTIVE OFFICER NOW. THIS IDEA OF GOING INTO A CLOSED
6 SESSION AND TALK ABOUT THE L.A. WORKS ISSUE HAS CAUGHT MY
7 INTEREST BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, L.A. WORKS HAS BEEN AROUND FOR A
8 VERY LONG TIME, AND OBVIOUSLY THEY'VE DONE SOME THINGS THAT
9 WORK, BUT THERE HAVE BEEN-- THERE WAS A RECENT ITEM IN MARCH
10 OF 2014 THAT CAME BEFORE THIS BOARD AND THIS BOARD BALKED BIG
11 TIME, IT WAS A SHERIFF'S CONTRACT. IT EVEN CAUGHT MY
12 ATTENTION. I LOOKED AT IT AND I THOUGHT JESUS, WHY ARE WE
13 BEING CHARGED SO MUCH TO BE TRAINING SOMEBODY TO DO BICYCLE
14 REPAIR, AND HOW MUCH IS THIS MONEY BEING CAREFULLY
15 SCRUTINIZED, AND ARE WE CAREFULLY SCRUTINIZING THESE PROGRAMS
16 WHERE IT'S A ROLLOVER PROGRAM AND EVERYBODY AGREES? AND I GOT
17 TO ADMIT STAPLETON IS OUTSTANDING, MAKES A GREAT PRESENTATION
18 DOWN HERE. HE COMES DOWN HERE AND MAKES IT SEEM LIKE, HOW ARE
19 WE SUPPOSED TO KEEP TRACK OF ALL THIS STUFF, IT'S SO
20 CONFUSING? WELL, HE MAY BE RIGHT BECAUSE IT IS VERY CONFUSING.
21 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY GOT SNARED THERE AND WONDERED, WELL IS
22 THIS REALLY FRAUD? AND THE ANSWER IS NO, IT'S NOT FRAUD, PER
23 SE, AND NAIMO SAYS IT'S NOT FRAUD, PER SE. SO GLORIA MOLINA
24 KNOWS WHAT'S GOING ON, THOUGH. AND WHEN YOU'RE ROLLING OUT
25 MONEY AND THEN EXPECTING TO GET REIMBURSED, I MEAN WHERE IS

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1 THE PUBLIC'S EYEBALLS ON THIS, GUYS? WHERE IS THE WATCHDOG
2 BEHAVIOR FROM THIS GROUP THAT IF YOU THINK THIS IS A BIG DEAL,
3 THIS IS A SMALL DEAL COMPARED TO THE AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT
4 GROUPS LIKE L.A. WORKS AND OTHERS ARE OVERSEEING FOR US. SO I
5 THINK WE HAVE TO HOLD THEM TO A HIGH STANDARD. I'M CONFUSED.
6 AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY WE'RE GOING INTO A CLOSED SESSION
7 BECAUSE THE PUBLIC, FRANKLY, WANTS ANSWERS. THAT'S THE THING.
8 THE FOLKS THAT YOU ALL REPORT TO, IF YOU RECALL CORRECTLY, WE
9 ALL FEEL LIKE IT'S REASONABLE TO UNDERSTAND THE DETAILS NOT TO
10 BE INVITED TO A CLOSED SESSION VERDICT BY ALL OF YOU. WHO
11 KNOWS? THESE FOLKS ARE BASED IN DOWNEY, IF I'VE GOT IT RIGHT.
12 THE DOWNEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER GOT IN DEEP TROUBLE,
13 CHANGED THEIR NAME. THESE ARE GUYS WHO ARE TAKING HUGE
14 LOBBYING FEES. I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON AND IT'S MURKY.
15 IT'S SCARY AND MURKY.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS GROUP'S NOT BASED OUT OF DOWNEY,
18 AND YOU KNOW THAT. NEXT, MISS PANG? OH NO, NO. WEST COVINA.

19

20 **IRENE PANG:** HI, I'M IRENE. I CONCERNED ABOUT THE PROPERTIES
21 THAT INCLUDE HOUSE, SHOP OR STORE. IN ANY PERSONAL PROPERTY
22 AND PERSONAL BELONGINGS SHOULD BACK TO THEIR TRUE OWNER AND
23 THEIR CONFIRM. ALSO INCLUDE MY HOUSE AND MY BROTHER'S. SECOND,
24 THE PUBLIC BUS SERVICE. ONE OF THE BUS, BUT THE PASS THE \$80
25 FOR 28 DAYS, \$20 FOR 7 DAYS, BUT THE BUS PASS WHEN I USING IN

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1 THE SECOND DAY, THE SCAN MACHINE SOUND IN LOW VALUE. MOST OF
2 THE TIME WHEN I GET IN THE BUS, THEY SHOW THE SAME SITUATION.
3 THE BUS CLOSER TO MY SERVICE NEED TO WORK NOW. BY THE WAY, I
4 NEED MY CAR ALSO. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. DENISE PAZ, DAVID SERRANO AND JOHN
7 WALSH.

8

9 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** MY NAME IS PATRICK O'ROURKE. I WENT AHEAD
10 AND GOOGLED "TEACHER MAKES CHILD EAT OUT OF TRASH CAN." THERE
11 ARE NUMEROUS, THERE WERE HUNDREDS OF ENTRIES OF IT. MOST
12 NOTABLY A COUPLE IN CALIFORNIA WHERE TEACHERS EITHER SUSPENDED
13 OR THREATENED TO BE FIRED. WHAT I WANT TO KNOW IS THIS: WHY IS
14 THIS BOARD COVERING UP FOR D.C.F.S. AND THEIR FAILINGS? WHY IS
15 THIS BOARD SITTING THERE DECIDING TO COVER UP THE CRIMES?
16 COVERING UP THE VERY CRIMES, COMMITTING CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT
17 CRIMES? WHY IS THE BOARD SO CONCERNED ON NOT INVESTIGATING A
18 CRIMINAL CHARGE THAT HAS BEEN FILED THAT HAD HAS BEEN ASKED BY
19 THE POLICE, BY THE DEFENDANTS, BY THE PARENTS, BY WORKERS
20 WITHIN THE COUNTY TO INVESTIGATE THIS PARENT, THIS FOSTER
21 PARENT THAT IS COMMITTING CRIMES. WHY IS THE COUNTY SO
22 IMPORTANT? WHY IS IT SO IMPORTANT THAT IT NOT BE INVESTIGATED?
23 I'LL TELL YOU WHY. BILLIONS OF DOLLARS. THIS COUNTY IS
24 COMMITTING FRAUD BECAUSE IT DOES NOT WANT TO ADMIT THAT
25 D.C.F.S. FOSTER PARENTS HAVE A DIFFERENT STANDARD, THAT

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1 CHILDREN WITHIN D.C.F.S., THE PARENTS, THE BIRTH PARENTS THAT
2 THEIR CHILDREN ARE TAKEN AWAY ARE COMMITTING SMALL CRIMES
3 COMPARED TO SOME OF THESE PARENTS. WHEN D.C.F.S. INVESTIGATORS
4 RUN SOCIAL WORKERS AND FOSTER PARENTS ARE NOT HELD UP TO THE
5 SAME STANDARDS, WE HAVE AN UNEQUAL JUSTICE. WHAT WE HAVE IS A
6 PERMISSION TO COMMIT CRIME. YOU ARE PERPETRATING THAT
7 PERMISSION. AND YOU, BY NOT ASKING FOR DETAILS AND ASKING FOR
8 AN INVESTIGATION, ARE GUILTY OF CRIME, DON KNABE. YOU, ZEV
9 YAROSLAVSKY, IT'S YOUR DISTRICT WHERE THIS IS BEING COMMITTED.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

12

13 **PATRICK O'ROURKE :** I DARE YOU TO EAT A BANANA OUT OF THE
14 TRASH.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. O'ROURKE, YOU'RE DONE.

17

18 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** EAT A BANANA OUT OF THE TRASH. YOU SICK
19 DOGS.

20

21 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.
22 SOMETHING HAPPENED YESTERDAY THAT'S NEVER HAPPENED IN THE
23 HISTORY OF LOS ANGELES. A MAYOR OF OUR CITY UTTERED ON
24 INTERNATIONAL TELEVISION A FOUL FOUR-LETTER WORD. I'M NOT EVEN
25 GOING TO GIVE YOU THE HINT ABOUT WHAT IT WAS. COME TO MY

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1 WEBSITE. HERE HE IS WITH HIS MANIACAL GRIN. THIS WAS AT THE
2 CELEBRATION. YOU HEARD HIM. AND IF YOU LOOK CAREFULLY, YOU CAN
3 SEE THE WOMAN WITH A SMALL CHILD WITH HER HAND OVER HER FACE
4 IN SHOCK. NOW, DID HE APOLOGIZE? NO, HE DIDN'T APOLOGIZE. HE
5 SMIRKED. ERIC GARCETTI SMIRKED. NOW HE'S GOING TO-- WHEN HE
6 TAKES OVER THE M.T.A., IS HE GOING TO ALLOW PEOPLE TO USE THAT
7 FOUR-LETTER WORD AT THE MEETING? NOW, I WANT TO KNOW WHY HE
8 DID THAT. AND I'M TELLING YOU EXACTLY WHY HE DID THAT. WHY HE
9 USED A FOUL FOUR-LETTER WORD WHICH HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS IF
10 NOT MILLIONS OF CHILDREN ALL OVER AMERICA, FOX T.V. HAD TO
11 APOLOGIZE FOR IT, THE CITY COUNCIL THIS MORNING REFUSED TO
12 APOLOGIZE, BLAMED IT ON A FULL MOON. THE REASON IS THAT HE WAS
13 UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF NARCOTICS. NOW, I'VE WORKED AT THE
14 BERKELEY FREE CLINIC FOR FIVE YEARS IN THE 1970S. I UNDERSTAND
15 WHAT A PERSON LOOKS LIKE AND ACTS LIKE WHEN THEY'RE ON
16 COCAINE. I'VE KNOWN HIM SINCE 2001. I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM. HE
17 GETS THE COCAINE FROM HIS BOYFRIEND GLEN DAKE WHOM HE
18 APPOINTED TO M.W.D. AT A NICE SALARY. THEY COKE UP AND HE WAS
19 OUT OF CONTROL , EVEN ON THE JIMMY KIMMEL SHOW WHEN MAYOR DE
20 BLASIO HANDED OUT HOTDOGS TO EVERYONE IN THE AUDIENCE, HE
21 SAID, OUR MAYOR, "THOSE HOT DOGS ARE GARBAGE. THOSE HOT DOGS
22 ARE GARBAGE FROM NEW YORK." AND THERE WAS AN OOH FROM THE
23 AUDIENCE. YOU GOT A PROBLEM. YOU HAVE A MAYOR THAT'S OUT OF
24 CONTROL. HE'S ON NARCOTICS. HE'S GOING TO MAKE YOU OVER HERE
25 LOOK LIKE FOOLS. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. NEXT?

3

4 **DENISE PAZ:** HI.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

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8 **DENISE PAZ:** HI, I'M DENISE PAZ. I WANTED TO LET YOU GUYS KNOW
9 WHAT IS GOING ON. A LITTLE FOSTER GIRL DISCARDED A BANANA IN A
10 WOMEN'S BATHROOM DUMPSTER AT A _____ FACILITY, VISTA DEL MAR
11 IN LOS ANGELES. THE FOSTER FATHER, BART FREEMAN RETRIEVED THE
12 BANANA FROM THE DUMPSTER BUT IT DOESN'T STOP HERE. THESE ARE
13 THE FACTS. FOSTER PARENT REACHED INTO THE CONTAMINATED
14 DUMPSTER, REACHED OUT FOR THE BANANA AND FORCED THIS LITTLE
15 SEVEN-YEAR-OLD TO EAT IT, AND THIS HAS HAPPENED IN LOS ANGELES
16 COUNTY. THIS HAPPENED ABOUT LAST MONTH. OKAY. THESE ARE THE
17 FACTS. NOW THAT WE GOT TO LEARN THAT THE FOSTER-- HE MADE HER
18 EAT THE BANANA. NOW THAT WE GOT TO LEARN THAT THE FOSTER
19 FATHER BART FREEMAN IS KNOWN TO BE A DUMPSTER DIVER, HE ADMITS
20 TO MERCEDES MENDOZA, D.C.F.S., THE D.I. THAT HE DON'T WANT TO
21 WASTE FOOD. THIS IS CLEARLY A RISKY BEHAVIOR THAT NOT ONLY
22 MAKES US SICK TO OUR STOMACH BUT IS DEHUMANIZING. THERE IS
23 HORRIBLE INFECTIONS. DUMPSTERS ARE KNOWN TO BREED BACTERIA.
24 THIS FOSTER MAN IS A SCAVENGER, SO PLEASE REVOKE HIS LICENSE
25 AND PLEASE INVESTIGATE THIS MATTER. REMOVE THIS CHILD FROM HIS

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1 CARE. THIS IS UNETHICAL AND MORAL. WOULD YOU GUYS EAT A BANANA
2 WITH ASS WIPE? I DON'T THINKS. DOESN'T THAT SOUND GROSS.
3 WHILE THIS GIRL WAS FORCED TO EAT A BANANA. PLEASE INVESTIGATE
4 THIS MATTER. SOCIAL WORKER NAME IS MERCEDES MENDOZA. HER
5 NUMBER'S 323-900-2290. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES, SIR.

8

9 **DAVID SERRANO:** GOD IS THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE HOLY
10 SPIRIT. THE HOLY TRINITY IS THE ONE AND ONLY GOD. AMEN.
11 HALLELUJAH. THE HOLY TRINITY CREATED HEAVEN AND THE UNIVERSE,
12 PRAISE THE LORD. THE LORD GOD ALMIGHTY, JESUS CHRIST, CREATED
13 HEAVEN AND THE UNIVERSE, AMEN, PRAISE GOD. ETERNAL JESUS WAS
14 CONCEIVED BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD AND CHRIST
15 WAS BORN OF THE SANCTIFIED VIRGIN MARY. JESUS NEVER SINNED.
16 THE LORD JESUS CHRIST PROCLAIMED THE WORD OF GOD AND HE
17 FORGAVE PEOPLE'S SINS. JESUS CHRIST CURED LEPROSY. THE LORD
18 JESUS TOTALLY HEALED CRIPPLED PEOPLE INSTANTLY. THE ETERNAL
19 SON OF GOD REALLY RAISED DEAD PEOPLE TO LIFE. THE CHRIST
20 WALKED UPON THE DEEP WATERS OF THE SEA OF GALILEE. INNOCENT
21 JESUS WILLINGLY SHED HIS OWN SACRED, DIVINE BLOOD AND HE DIED
22 ON THE CROSS FOR OUR SINS AS OUR SUBSTITUTE. HE WAS BURIED AND
23 ON THE THIRD DAY JESUS CHRIST RESURRECTED AND HE LEFT THE
24 TOMB, AMEN. THEN JESUS CHRIST APPEARED TO HUNDREDS OF HIS
25 DISCIPLES OVER THE COURSE OF 40 DAYS. THEN JESUS CHRIST

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1 ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN, HALLELUJAH. INFINITE JESUS IS AT THE
2 RIGHT HAND OF INFINITE GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY AND THE KINGDOM
3 OF THE MOST HIGH, AMEN, PRAISE THE LORD. CHRISTIAN SOULS AND
4 SPIRITS ASCEND INTO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, AMEN. CHRISTIANS
5 HAVE LIFE EVERLASTING WITH GOD IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD, AMEN,
6 PRAISE THE LORD. REPENT AND BELIEVE REALITY. JESUS IS GOD. AND
7 THEN YOU WILL HAVE LIFE EVERLASTING WITH GOD IN THE KINGDOM OF
8 GOD, AMEN, PRAISE THE LORD. CHRISTIANS LIVE FOREVER WITH GOD,
9 AMEN, HALLELUJAH. AND HAVE A NICE DAY.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION, PLEASE.

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** FIRST OF ALL, WE NEED TO MAKE AN
14 URGENCY FINDING, MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT THERE IS A NEED FOR
15 IMMEDIATE ACTION AND THE NEED AROSE SUBSEQUENT TO THE POSTING
16 OF THE AGENDA?

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ON WHICH ITEM?

19

20 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THAT'S ON ITEM 25?

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO MOVED.

23

24 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH
25 BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD

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1 OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM
2 NO. C.S.-1, C.S.-2, AND C.S.-3, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
3 REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION, AND ITEMS NO. C.S.-4, C.S.-5
4 AND C.S.-6, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
5 SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION. AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
6 AGENDA AND THE URGENCY FINDING, THANK YOU.

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[CLOSED SESSION]

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE ARE BACK IN SESSION. DO YOU WANT TOO
13 READ OUT THE CLOSED SESSION PIECE AND THEN WE'LL DEAL WITH
14 ITEM 25.

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16 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE FOLLOWING IS THE REPORT OF
17 ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON JUNE 17TH, 2014, ON ITEM NO.
18 C.S.-1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
19 LITIGATION, THE BOARD AUTHORIZED PAYMENT OF \$6,000 IN PUNITIVE
20 DAMAGE ON BEHALF OF DEPUTY SCOTT SORROW. THE VOTE OF THE BOARD
21 WAS 3-2 WITH SUPERVISORS RIDLEY-THOMAS, KNABE AND ANTONOVICH
22 VOTING AYE, AND SUPERVISORS MOLINA AND YAROSLAVSKY VOTING NO.
23 ON ITEM NO. C.S.-2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
24 EXISTING LITIGATION, THE BOARD AUTHORIZED SETTLEMENT OF THE
25 MATTER ENTITLED COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES VS MERRIMAC PETROLEUM,

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1 INC. THE DETAILS OF THE SETTLEMENT WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE ONCE
2 FINALIZED BY PARTIES. THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS WITH ALL
3 SUPERVISORS BEING PRESENT. ITEM NO. C.S.-3, NO REPORTABLE
4 ACTION WAS TAKEN. ON ITEM NO. C.S.-4, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL
5 COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, IN
6 CLOSED SESSION, THIS ITEM WAS CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JUNE 24,
7 2014. ON ITEMS NO. C.S.-5 AND C.S.-6, NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS
8 TAKEN.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'D LIKE TO MOVE THE DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION ON
13 ITEM, IS IT 25 OR 26?

14

15 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** 25.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ANTONOVICH?

18

19 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAS SOME
20 QUESTIONS?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'VE BEEN ADVISED THAT ON THE L.A. WORKS,
23 THE ACTION THAT WOULD BE TAKEN ON ITEM 25 ONLY APPLIES TO THE
24 TWO CONTRACTS, THE SHERIFF AND THE NURSING COMPONENT? AND IT

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1 DOES NOT IMPACT THEIR OTHER 15 CONTRACTS, WHATEVER THEY
2 MENTIONED?

3

4 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THE MATTER BEFORE YOU, SUPERVISOR, IS WITH
5 REGARD TO THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT CONTRACTS. THERE ARE TWO
6 WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES, AND
7 THOSE ARE THE CONTRACTS THAT ARE PART OF THE BOARD LETTER.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IT DOES NOT IMPACT ANY OF L.A. WORKS'S
10 OTHER CONTRACTS THEY HAVE WITH THE COUNTY?

11

12 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** ONLY THE ONES THAT ARE WITH OUR DEPARTMENT.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. I WANT TO ASK MR. STAPLETON A QUESTION.
15 IN EITHER YOUR TESTIMONY OR THE COUNCILMAN FROM GLENDORA OR
16 THE OTHER PEOPLE WHO HAD SPOKEN, THERE WAS REFERENCE OF OTHER
17 CONTRACTS THAT WOULD BE ELIMINATED BY THE ACTION THAT WOULD BE
18 TAKEN ON ITEM 25. WE'RE BEING ADVISED IT'S ONLY TWO CONTRACTS.
19 IT WOULD NOT IMPACT ANY OF THE OTHER CONTRACTS THAT YOU
20 CURRENTLY HAVE IN WHICH YOU HAVE TO ELIMINATE EMPLOYMENT FOR
21 THOSE, YOUR EMPLOYEES.

22

23 **KEVIN STAPLETON:** IN THE JUNE 17TH LETTER, ONE OF THE
24 ATTACHMENTS TO THE JUNE 17TH LETTER SHOWS THE-- I GUESS THE
25 ONLY ATTACHMENT, EXCUSE ME, OF THE JUNE 17TH LETTER SHOWS THE

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1 CONTRACTS THAT ARE AFFECTED. AND THESE ARE CONTRACTS IN WHICH
2 L.A. WORKS HAD PARTICIPATED. IT'S A LITTLE CHART THAT'S ON THE
3 BACK? AND L.A. WORKS IS NOT LISTED, WHICH LEADS ME TO BELIEVE
4 THAT THEY'RE NOT BEING FUNDED FOR ANY OF THESE CONTRACTS.

5

6 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THE LIST THAT HE'S REFERRING TO ARE THE
7 CONTRACTORS FOR WHICH WE ARE ASKING BOARD APPROVAL TO EXTEND
8 THEIR CONTRACTS. THAT'S WHO THOSE CONTRACTS--

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT DOESN'T DEAL WITH YOU. THOSE ARE JUST
11 CURRENT CONTRACTS WITH OTHER VENDORS.

12

13 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THAT'S CORRECT.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT ARE BEING EXTENDED. THAT HAS NOTHING TO
16 DO WITH L.A. WORKS.

17

18 **KEVIN STAPLETON:** IF IT IS A REPRESENTATION OF THE DEPARTMENT
19 THAT L.A. WORKS WILL PARTICIPATE, I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY IT'S
20 NOT ON THE SHEET. IF WE ARE GOING TO BE EXTENDED MONTH-TO-
21 MONTH-- BECAUSE WE ARE AN EXISTING CONTRACTOR, AND THIS IS
22 SUPPOSED TO BE EXTENDING EXISTING CONTRACTS. SO THAT'S WHY IN
23 THE VERSION THAT WE PROVIDED, IT LISTED L.A. WORKS AT THE
24 BOTTOM ON THE ONE THAT WE HAD PROPOSED.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE DEPARTMENT,
2 BECAUSE OF THE AUDIT THAT WAS DONE, IT'S RECOMMENDED THAT THE
3 TWO CONTRACTS YOU HAD WITH THE HOSPITAL AND THE SHERIFF WOULD
4 END AT THE TIME OF THE CONTRACT, WOULD NOT BE EXTENDED. BUT IT
5 DOES NOT IMPACT ANY OTHER CONTRACTS THAT YOU HAVE.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, THE TWO WORKFORCE CONTRACTS. KEEP CONFUSING.

8

9 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THE TWO WORKFORCE CONTRACTS THAT WERE PART OF
10 THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT WITH OUR DEPARTMENT, THOSE ARE
11 THE ONLY TWO CONTRACTS THAT WE ARE-- THAT ARE BEFORE YOU FOR
12 IMPACT.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GET A CLARIFICATION ON THAT.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THEN EXPLAIN TO ME WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE
17 AS IT RELATES TO CARD, THEN?

18

19 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** PARDON ME, I DIDN'T HEAR YOUR QUESTION,
20 SUPERVISOR.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I ALSO THOUGHT PART OF THE ACTION TODAY
23 WAS TO PUT THEM IN CARD, WHICH BASICALLY THROWS EVERYTHING
24 OUT.

25

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1 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** IT HAS BEEN OUR RECOMMENDATION TO PLACE L.A.
2 WORKS ON CARD. IT HAS NOT OCCURRED YET. AND WE ARE GOING TO
3 MEET WITH L.A. WORKS WITH REGARDS TO THEIR REPAYMENT OF
4 \$858,000. HOWEVER, THAT HAS NOT OCCURRED YET. PLACEMENT ON
5 CARD HAS NOT HAPPENED.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT WOULD BE A SEPARATE ACTION BY THIS
8 BOARD?

9

10 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** YES, THAT'S A SEPARATE ACTION. NOT BY THE
11 BOARD.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S NOT THE MOTION I MADE.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO, NO, I UNDERSTAND. I'M TRYING TO GET
16 CLARIFICATION THAT THAT CARD ACTION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN YET.

17

18 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THAT IS CORRECT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND WOULD THAT CARD ACTION COME BACK TO
21 THIS BOARD?

22

23 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** NO, IT DOES NOT.

24

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1 **BENJAMIN BRUS:** MAY I MAKE A COMMENT? YEAH, AGAIN, BEN BRUS,
2 CLIENT SERVICES MANAGER AT L.A. WORKS. EVEN THOUGH WE AREN'T
3 ON THE CARD SYSTEM YET, WE DO HAVE OTHER COUNTY CONTRACTS. FOR
4 INSTANCE, THE TRANSITIONAL SUBSIDIZED EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM WHERE
5 GENERAL RELIEF PARTICIPANTS ARE REFERRED FOR WORK EXPERIENCE
6 AND ON-THE-JOB TRAINING. WE CURRENTLY HAVE BEEN CUT OFF IN
7 TERMS OF REFERRALS. WE WERE GETTING NUMEROUS REFERRALS EACH
8 MONTH. BUT WHEN ALL OF THIS STARTED TO GO DOWN, OUR REFERRALS
9 WERE TERMINATED OR AT LEAST SUSPENDED TEMPORARILY. THE SAME
10 THING HAPPENED WITH A POST-COMMUNITY SUPERVISION PROGRAM. EX
11 OFFENDERS WERE BEING REFERRED TO L.A. WORKS. THAT WAS IN
12 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. WE ARE NO LONGER
13 RECEIVING ANY REFERRALS FROM THAT PROGRAM. SO WE DO HAVE AN
14 ADULT W.I.A. PROGRAM THROUGH THE COUNTY. WE HAVE A YOUTH, IN
15 SCHOOL YOUTH PROGRAM WITH THE COUNTY AS WELL AS THE P.R.C.S.
16 AS WELL AS THE T.S.E. PROGRAM. AND SO JUST TO CONFIRM, YES,
17 THE CARD SYSTEM WOULD ELIMINATE ALL OF THOSE. BUT WE'VE
18 ALREADY BEEN STOPPED REFERRALS WITH THE OTHER PROGRAMS. AND
19 THAT'S WHAT WE WERE QUESTIONING IN TERMS OF DUE PROCESS, AS
20 WELL. THOSE JUST CAME OUT OF NOWHERE.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, AS NEAR AS I CAN TELL, THIS
23 ACTION AS PROPOSED IS RATHER NARROW. IT'S EXPLICIT. THE
24 BALANCE OF THOSE THINGS THAT ARE BEING RAISED HAVE YET TO BE
25 PROPOSED FOR OUR CONSIDERATION AND/OR ACTION HASN'T BEEN

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1 TAKEN. AND SO IT SEEMS TO ME THE MATTER BEFORE US IS PRETTY
2 CLEAR IN TERMS OF THE TWO-STEP PROCESS THAT IS BEING BROUGHT
3 FORTH. I THINK THE AGENCY IN QUESTION IS SEEKING TO ANTICIPATE
4 FURTHER ACTION THAT MIGHT HAPPEN, BUT IT IS NOT THE PROPOSAL
5 THAT IS BEFORE US TODAY. AND I WOULD RESPECTFULLY SUGGEST THAT
6 WE DISPOSE OF THE MATTER AS IT IS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION,
7 AND THE BALANCE OF THE ISSUES DEALT WITH PROSPECTIVELY.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD AGREE WITH THAT EXCEPT THAT IF
10 REFERRALS HAVE STOPPED, AND IF THE CARD ACTION CAN TAKE PLACE
11 WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OF THIS BOARD, THEN IT'S NOT NARROW.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT IF THERE IS A
14 CONCERN ABOUT THE CARD ACTION HAPPENING PROSPECTIVELY, IT IS
15 ALWAYS WITHIN THE BOARD'S PURVIEW, I BELIEVE, TO REQUEST THAT-

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SHE JUST SAID NO.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, WITHIN THE BOARD'S PURVIEW, NOT
21 WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT HEAD'S PURVIEW. IT SEEMS TO ME IT IS
22 FULLY APPROPRIATE TO ASK FOR THE MATTER TO COME BEFORE US AT
23 THAT TIME PER A RECOMMENDATION. IT IS NOT MY UNDERSTANDING
24 THAT A RECOMMENDATION IS BEING MADE. IT IS CURRENTLY BEING
25 CONTEMPLATED. SO IT WOULD SEEM TO ME BEFORE WE GET AHEAD OF

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1 OURSELVES, WE SHOULD DISPOSE OF THE ITEMS THAT ARE BEFORE US
2 AND THE BALANCE WOULD THEN NEED TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD FOR
3 CONSIDERATION.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK THIS QUESTION. DOES RECOMMENDATION
6 3 IMPACT THE IN-SCHOOL YOUTH CONTRACT?

7

8 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THAT IS TO TERMINATE THE YOUTH PROGRAM.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S PART OF 3?

11

12 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** YES.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT I THOUGHT WE WERE ONLY TALKING ABOUT THE
15 SHERIFF'S CONTRACT?

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE KEEP SAYING THAT, MICHAEL.

18

19 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** NO, IT'S NOT. THESE CONTRACTS HAVE NOTHING TO
20 DO WITH THE SHERIFF'S CONTRACTS.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE ALREADY TERMINATED THE SHERIFF'S CONTRACTS.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THIS IS COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES. TWO
25 PIECES. CORRECT?

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1

2 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THAT IS CORRECT.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE SHERIFF'S CONTRACT WAS TERMINATED THIS
5 PAST MONTH?

6

7 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** CORRECT.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IS NOT PART OF ITEM 3. SO WHEN WE TALKED
10 EARLIER THAT THE TWO PROGRAMS THAT L.A. WORKS AGREED TO
11 ELIMINATE, THEY WERE TALKING ABOUT THE SHERIFF AND THEY WERE
12 TALKING ABOUT THE DISLOCATED WORKER PROGRAM.

13

14 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** IF THE CONTRACTS IN QUESTION ARE ADULT AND
15 DISLOCATED WORKER PROGRAMS AND THE YEAR-ROUND YOUTH PROGRAM.
16 THE ADULT AND DISLOCATED WORKER PROGRAM IS THE CONTRACT THAT
17 HAD THE DISALLOWED COSTS.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO RIGHT NOW THEY HAVE AN EXISTING WORKFORCE
20 INVESTMENT ACT ADULT DISLOCATED WORKER RAPID RESPONSE AND
21 VETERANS PROGRAM.

22

23 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** YES.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHEN DOES THAT CONTRACT EXPIRE?

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2 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** IT EXPIRES JUNE 30TH.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUNE 30TH?

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6 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** YES.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN DID YOU GO OUT ON THE R.F.P. ON THAT?

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10 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THE R.F.P. WAS DONE EARLIER THIS YEAR? WE HAVE
11 RECEIVED PROPOSALS. AND THAT PROCESS HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED.
12 AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE ASKING FOR THE EXTENSION.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO L.A. WORKS WOULD HAVE AN EXTENSION?

15

16 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** NO. THE BOARD LETTER DOES NOT REQUEST FOR AN
17 EXTENSION FOR L.A. WORKS, BUT FOR THE OTHER CONTRACTORS THAT
18 ARE LISTED ON THE LIST THAT IS AN ATTACHMENT TO THE BOARD--

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S WHY IT'S NOT A NARROW
21 RECOMMENDATION.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEN THE AMENDMENT WOULD BE TO INCLUDE THEM--
24 IN 25, TO INCLUDE L.A. WORKS AS AN EXTENDED CONTRACTOR FOR THE
25 EXISTING WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT ADULT DISLOCATED WORKER,

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1 RAPID RESPONSE VETERANS PROGRAM AND DELETE THE RECOMMENDATION
2 TO TERMINATE FOR CONVENIENCE L.A. WORKS' IN-SCHOOL YOUTH
3 CONTRACT WITH REMOVAL FROM THE YOUTH MASTERS' AGREEMENT.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'D SECOND THAT.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU WHAT?

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I SECOND THAT.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THERE'S MOTION ON THE TABLE? SO THERE'S TWO
12 MOTIONS?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO, JUST AMENDMENT.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU CAN'T HAVE AN AN AMENDMENT ONCE YOU'VE
17 DISAPPROVED TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF A DEPARTMENT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU CAN ALWAYS HAVE AN AMENDMENT. AS A
20 MAKER, WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO MAKE THE AMENDMENT? YOU'D
21 PROBABLY SAY NO. YOU MADE THE MOTION.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, BECAUSE THAT WOULD NIX MY MOTION. THE
24 MOTION IS TO ACCEPT THE DEPARTMENT--

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** VOTE IT UP OR DOWN, THEN. ALL RIGHT.
2 THEN THE MOTION ON THE TABLE, THEN IS TO APPROVE THE
3 RECOMMENDATION AS PRESENTED IN ITEM NO. 25. IS THERE A SECOND
4 TO THAT?

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SECOND.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ROLL CALL.

9

10 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SO WE'RE TAKING UP SUPERVISOR
11 MOLINA'S MOTION FIRST?

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** UNLESS YOU MAKE AN AMENDMENT AND WANT TO
16 MAKE A SUBSTITUTE MOTION?

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD MAKE A SUBSTITUTE MOTION THAT ITEM 25
19 WOULD ALSO INCLUDE L.A. WORKS AS AN EXTENDED CONTRACTOR FOR
20 ITS EXISTING WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT, ADULT DISLOCATED
21 WORKER, RAPID RESPONSE AND VETERANS PROGRAM AND DELETING
22 RECOMMENDATION WHICH SEEKS TO TERMINATE FOR CONVENIENCE L.A.
23 WORKS' IN SCHOOL YOUTH CONTRACT WITH REMOVAL FROM THE YOUTH
24 MASTER AGREEMENT.

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I'LL SECOND THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION.

2 SO THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION IS ON THE TABLE. ROLL CALL.

3

4 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** WE ARE TAKING A ROLL CALL VOTE ON

5 THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION? SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

8

9 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO.

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO.

16

17 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO. I MEAN YES. I'M GOING TO THROW YOU GUYS

20 OFF. YOU'RE ALL AWAKE.

21

22 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AYE. MOTION FAILS.

25

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MOTION FAILS TO CARRY. THEN DO YOU
2 WANT TO GO BACK TO SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S MOTION?

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES, GO BACK TO SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S
5 MOTION.

6

7 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

10

11 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

14

15 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AYE.

18

19 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO.

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO.

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2 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MOTION CARRIES.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THEN THE CLARIFICATION AS IT RELATES TO
5 THE WHOLE CARD ISSUE, IS THAT COMING BACK TO THE BOARD, THEN?

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO MOVED.

8

9 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** WE WILL BRING IT BACK TO THE BOARD.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WITH THAT, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND IT.
12 WITH ANY OBJECTIONS? SO ORDERED. THANK YOU. MEETING ADJOURNED.

13 (GAVEL)

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